

KUALA LUMPUR

Malaysia's Dazzling Capital City



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Welcome to Kuala Lumpur

MODERN METROPOLIS AMIDST COLOURFUL CULTURES

KUALA LUMPUR is a city of delightful contrasts and one of the most vibrant cities in Asia. Visitors will be greeted by the stunning Petronas Twin Towers, a world-renowned icon of the country. The numerous pre-war heritage buildings reflect Kuala Lumpur's rich past and stand in charming juxtaposition to the modern ambience. Lush greenery and well-manicured parks lend a refreshing garden appeal to the city.

With its colourful potpourri of races and cultures, KL, as the city is popularly known, is a kaleidoscope of fascinating sights and sounds. Immerse yourself in its abundance of attractions - exciting theme parks, world-class sporting events, dazzling cultural performances and entertaining nightlife.



Kuala Lumpur traces its origins to the 1850s when tin prospectors established a trading post here. As the years passed, KL emerged as the centre of commerce in the country. It was made the capital following the country's independence in 1957. KL's flourishing growth led to the conferment of city status in 1972. Two years later, on 1 February 1974, the city was ceded to the Federal Government by the state of Selangor and established as a Federal Territory. Today, KL is home to a population of 1.6 million people and is a microcosm of modern Malaysia.

English is widely spoken here and visitors can go on organised tours or explore the capital at their own pace. The city boasts a comprehensive transportation network that makes your sightseeing experience pleasant and hassle-free. This guide suggests the nearest or most convenient modes of transport to the various places of interest. Enjoy your visit to this modern metropolis.





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Malayan Railway (KTM) Headquarters

DOING THE SIGHTS

EXPERIENCE modern sophistication and nostalgic old-world charm in a single destination. Tour the city to see stunning skyscrapers standing alongside charming pre-war heritage buildings. The city abounds with architectural marvels, themed attractions and places of worship. Most spots can be easily accessed via KL's well-developed transportation network.



MODERN LANDMARKS

□ **Petronas Twin Towers**

Kuala Lumpur City Centre (KLCC)

The Petronas Twin Towers, standing majestically at a height of 451.9 metres, is a world-renowned icon of modern Malaysia. Don't miss the opportunity to visit the famous skybridge on the 41st floor for an exhilarating 'top of the world' feeling. This gleaming structure of steel and glass is an excellent backdrop for photography both by day and night. The towers are the centrepiece of the Kuala Lumpur City Centre (KLCC), consisting of the state-of-the-art Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, Suria KLCC shopping mall, a five-star hotel, the immaculately landscaped KLCC Park as well as a mosque. The area is a major draw for visitors and locals alike. (Refer to Tropical Enclaves, page 25 and Sensational Shopping, page 75).

Opening hours: 9.00am – 7.00pm (Tuesdays to Sundays)

Tel: 03-2331 8080

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the KLCC Station.



□ KL Tower

Jalan Puncak, Off Jalan P.Ramlee

Take a trip to one of the most prominent and distinctive landmarks in the country. This communications tower, situated atop Bukit Nanas, is the world's sixth tallest. It is also the only tower in the world situated within a forest reserve in a city. Enjoy a magnificent view of KL from a dizzying height of 421 metres. Other attractions include a mini zoo, F1 simulator, 1Malaysia Cultural Village and nature walks.

Entrance:

Malaysians (MyKad Holders):

All Parks Entrance – RM40 (Adults) RM30 (Children)

Basic Package – RM30 (Adults) RM20 (Children)

Guided Tours – RM50 (Adults) RM40 (Children)

Family Package – RM88 (2 Adults + 2 Children)

Non-Malaysians:

All Parks Entrance – RM55 (Adults) RM45 (Children)

Basic Package – RM45 (Adults) RM30 (Children)

Guided Tour – RM70 (Adults) RM60 (Children)

Opening hours: 9.00am - 10.00pm daily. Last admission is at 9.30pm.

Tel: 03-2020 5444

Website: www.menarakl.com.my

Getting there: Take the KL Monorail to the Bukit Nanas Station and board a taxi to the tower. There is also a free shuttle service to the tower from the main gate at Jalan Puncak. It is available from 9.00am to 9.30pm at 15-minute intervals. In addition, scheduled shuttle transfers are available from major hotels to the tower.



HERITAGE SITES

KL's long and colourful history has left a legacy of heritage sites which bear the stamp of various foreign influences. The main heritage zones in the city are Merdeka Square, Market Square, Chinatown (Petaling Street) and Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman.

MERDEKA SQUARE

□ **Dataran Merdeka (*Merdeka Square*)**

Jalan Raja

Dataran Merdeka or Merdeka Square is a good starting point to explore the city's heritage sites. The Union Jack was lowered here on 31 August 1957 marking Malaysia's independence from colonial rule. Hence the name *Merdeka*, which means "Independence" in Malay. A 100-metre-high flagpole, reputedly the tallest in the world, proudly flies the Malaysian flag. The Square used to be the focal point of Kuala Lumpur and the field here was the venue for police parades and cricket matches. Today, it is a beautifully landscaped area with gardens, terraces and fountains and a popular spot

for photography. Merdeka Square is still an important venue for national events such as National Day celebrations and street parades.



□ **Royal Selangor Club**

Jalan Raja

Adjacent to Dataran Merdeka is the Royal Selangor Club, a charming mock-Tudor structure. It was founded in 1884 as a small plank building with thatched roof, serving as a social and cricket club for the growing expatriate community. The original building was replaced in 1890 by a two-storey timber structure designed by AC Norman, a government architect, and rebuilt in 1910 with a design similar to a mock-Tudor house by architect AB Hubback. In the colonial days, the club was dubbed 'The Spotted Dog', a nickname purportedly originating from the Police Commissioner's black and white dalmations, often brought there by his wife. The name is also said to have originated from its mixed membership at that time. It was again rebuilt to its present form in 1979 by architect Fong Ying Leong, after a fire razed the building in 1970. The club is exclusively for members and has a wide range of sporting facilities as well as food and beverage outlets.

Website: www.rscweb.org.my

❑ **Sultan Abdul Samad Building**

Jalan Raja

This remarkable edifice, built in 1897, was named after the State Ruler and served as the government administration building during the British era. Boasting a Mahometan or Neo-Saracenic style, the building is constructed entirely of brick. It was the largest building of its day and was said to be the finest in the Malay states. The stately structure consists of an imposing porch, graceful horseshoe-shaped arches, shiny copper domes and a 41.2-metre-high clock tower. It now houses the Malaysian Supreme and High Courts as well as a handicraft centre. The building makes an impressive landmark when illuminated at night.



Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Masjid Jamek Station. Dataran Merdeka, Royal Selangor Club and the Sultan Abdul Samad Building are within walking distance (10 – 15 minutes).

Among other heritage sites in this zone are the Jamek Mosque and Cathedral of Saint Mary the Virgin (refer to Places of Worship, page 15), as well as the National History Museum (refer to Treasure Troves, page 32).

MARKET SQUARE

❑ **Pasar Seni (Central Market)**

Jalan Hang Kasturi

This building, designed by architect and engineer TY Lee, is a fine example of Art Deco styles of the 1930s. Central Market used to be the town's wholesale and retail wet market for fresh produce. It was renovated and reopened in 1986, and it was the first example of a heritage building being adapted for a different use. It is now a leading crafts centre in the city.

❑ **Jalan Hang Kasturi Shophouses**

Just a short walk from the Central Market, Jalan Hang Kasturi used to be the spot for provisions such as dried fish and preserved vegetables. Many of the dried goods stores here can still be found today. The pre-war shophouses are mostly of Neo-Classical style.

❑ **Medan Pasar (Market Square)**

Situated between Lebuhraya Pasar Besar and Lebuhraya Ampang, Market Square refers to the spot once owned by Yap Ah Loy, headman of the Chinese community. The three-storey shophouses here are examples of ornate Neo-Classical designs, as characterised by the decorative plaster garlands, roof-top gables and balustrades. It was designed in 1907 by AC Hubback, a government architect. The Maybank Finance Berhad and Clock Tower were later additions, boasting classic Art Deco structures. The Tower, built in 1937 to commemorate the coronation of King George IV, features the distinctive Art Deco sunburst motif at its base.

□ Lebuah Ampang

This bustling street was the traditional preserve of the Chettiers, or South Indian moneylenders who were an economic force in the early days. The glazed ceramic tiles, peacock designs, traditional low benches and chests are some of the distinctive features of this community. Today, the street is still predominantly occupied by Indian traders, with restaurants, textile shops and sundry stores.

□ Jalan Tun H.S. Lee

Formerly known as High Street, the stretch of shophouses here are some of the oldest, dating back to the mid-1880s. This was one of the early streets in which the shophouses were rebuilt in brick and tiles. A unique feature here is that the five-foot ways are lower than the surface of the road. There is also a strong Chinese influence in this street.

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Pasar Seni Station. Jalan Hang Kasturi, Market Square and Jalan Tun H.S. Lee are within walking distance of the station.

Other heritage sites in this zone include the Sze Ya Temple (refer to Places of Worship, page 14).

CHINATOWN (PETALING STREET)

KL's Chinatown is a bustling and colourful street of shops, restaurants and hawker stalls. Aside from the popular shopping district of Petaling Street, the nearby buildings, clan houses and temples contain evidences of the city's built heritage. Among them are the Lee Rubber Building, Kwong Siew Association, Old High Street Police Station, Police Sikh Temple, Old China Café, Old Victoria Institution and Sri Maha Mariamman Temple (refer to Places of Worship, page 14).

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Pasar Seni Station. Chinatown is about 10 minutes' walking distance.



JALAN TUANKU ABDUL RAHMAN

Originally known as Batu Road, this road is now named after the first King of Malaysia. The buildings here reflect the changing trends in architectural design, and provide clues as to the period of their construction, including the Utilitarian, Neo-Classical and Art Deco traditions. Noteworthy buildings in this zone include Masjid India (refer to Places of Worship, page 15), PH Hendry Building, Coliseum Cinema, Coliseum Café and Rex & Tivoli Hotels.

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Bandaraya Station. Visitors can then walk across to Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman. The street is also within walking distance from the Masjid Jamek Station (accessible via RapidKL LRT).

OTHER HERITAGE SITES

□ **Malaysia Tourism Centre (MATIC)** Jalan Ampang

This colonial building was constructed in 1935 as a family residence by Eu Tong Seng, a wealthy tin miner and rubber estate tycoon. It then served as the military base of the British army and as the headquarters of the Japanese army during World War II. The building has since been the venue of numerous significant occasions, including the first sitting of Malaysia's Parliament and the installation ceremonies of several kings of the country. Today it is a one-stop centre for tourists with a host of facilities such as a 24-hour tourist police counter, Internet access, tour booking, currency exchange, hotel reservations as well as souvenir outlets and a chocolate boutique. Watch cultural performances in its auditorium and savour mouth-watering fare at the Saloma Theatre Restaurant located within its grounds. (Refer to Enthralling Performances, page 48).

Entrance: Free.

Opening hours: 7.00am - 10.00pm daily.

Infoline: 1-300-88-5050

Tel: 03-9235 4800, (Saloma Theatre Restaurant: 03-2161 0122)

Website: www.mtc.gov.my

Getting there: Take the KL Monorail to the Bukit Nanas Station. MATIC is about 10 minutes' walking distance. Other modes of transport situated near MATIC is the RapidKL LRT. Visitors can either disembark at the KLCC Station or the Dang Wangi Station. MATIC is about a 15-minute walk from these stations.



□ **KL Railway Station** Jalan Sultan Hishamuddin

This splendid building in the heart of the city was the hub for the nation's rail transportation system before the modern KL Sentral Station was built. Its Moorish architecture with graceful arches and minarets makes it one of the city's most photographed landmarks. Equally impressive is the Malayan Railway (KTM) Headquarters overlooking the railway station.

Getting there: The KTM Komuter train passes through this building (Kuala Lumpur Station).



□ **The Heritage Centre** Jalan Stonor

The Heritage Centre is owned by Badan Warisan Malaysia or the Heritage of Malaysia Trust which promotes conservation and preservation of the nation's heritage buildings. This centre offers an insight into Malaysia's built heritage through exhibitions and seminars.

Within its grounds is the Rumah Penghulu Abu Seman, a fine example of a traditional Malay house. Originally the residence of a local headman, it was restored and transported from the northern state of Kedah. The house showcases intricate carvings, as well as furniture and artefacts dating back to 1930.



Opening hours: Guided tours of the Rumah Penghulu Abu Seman is held twice daily, at 11.00am and 3.00pm. Tours can be arranged at other times with prior appointment. A fee of RM10 is charged for guided tours (inclusive of a video presentation). The Heritage Centre is open from 10.00am - 5.00pm daily, except on Sundays and public holidays.

Tel: 03-2144 9273

Website: www.badanwarisan.org.my

Getting there: Take the KL Monorail to the Raja Chulan Station and walk to Jalan Stonor. Nearby landmarks are Wisma Genting and Prince Hotel & Residence.

PLACES OF WORSHIP

□ **Masjid Negara** Jalan Perdana



Masjid Negara or the National Mosque is the most distinguished mosque in Kuala Lumpur. It has a unique star-shaped dome. Its 73-metre-high minaret stands impressively against the skyline. Within its beautifully landscaped grounds are pools and fountains. Visitors are required to be appropriately dressed while visiting the mosque. Robes and headscarves will be provided for ladies.

Opening hours: Open to tourists from 9.00am - 12.30pm, 2.00pm - 3.30pm and 5.00pm - 6.30pm.

Getting there: Take the KTM Komuter train to the Kuala Lumpur Station. The mosque is a 10-minute walk away.

□ **Masjid Wilayah Persekutuan** Jalan Duta

Situated on a hillock, this mosque was inspired by 16th century Ottoman architecture. It boasts 22 beautiful domes of various sizes. Its location within a well-manicured garden and surrounded by a moat, makes it a sight to behold. The mosque is able to accommodate 17,000 worshippers at any time.

Getting there: Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to get here.



□ **Masjid Jamek**

Off Jalan Tun Perak

This mosque occupies a historic location at the confluence of the Klang and Gombak rivers, the birthplace of Kuala Lumpur. Built in 1909, this is the city's oldest surviving mosque and was officially opened by the then Sultan of Selangor. Its design was inspired by Mogul architecture in northern India. Cupolas and minarets top the brick walls and arched colonnades while a 70-foot dome surmounts the prayer hall. Masjid Jamek was the city's principal mosque until the opening of the National Mosque in 1965.



□ **Masjid India**

Jalan Masjid India

Just minutes away from Masjid Jamek is Masjid India. Built in the southern Indian style, this mosque is a three-storey structure with onion-domed chatris (open-sided umbrella-shaped cupolas) as well as arched windows with Islamic motifs. This mosque was first built in 1863 as a wooden hut and underwent several renovations. The present structure was opened by the Sultan of Selangor in 1966 and can accommodate 3,500 worshippers. The first floor is for men while the second floor is reserved for women.

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Masjid Jamek Station. The mosques are a short walk away.

□ **Thean Hou Temple**

65 Persiaran Indah, Off Jalan Syed Putra

Situated on a hillock, this magnificent Chinese temple has golden roofed pagodas and strings of lanterns. Located inside are three majestic statues of deities, including the main deity Thean Hou. The ornate architecture and scenic surroundings lend a serene atmosphere to the temple. Within its grounds are statues of the 12 animals of the Chinese zodiac. In the basement area, shops sell a variety of items such as woodcarvings and other decorative pieces.



Tel: 03-2274 7088

Getting there: Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to this temple.

❑ Sze Ya Temple

Junction of Lebuhr Pudu and Jalan Tun H.S Lee

This is the oldest Taoist temple in the city with a history dating back to 1864. Built by Kapitan Cina Yap Ah Loy, one of the founding fathers of Kuala Lumpur, it features an ornate interior and elaborate roof ridges. The temple pays tribute to the deities, Sin Sze Ya and Si Sze Ya. The oracles of the former were said to have guided Yap Ah Loy during the Selangor Civil War. Its rather unusual position behind several shop houses is believed to have been determined by geomancy or *feng shui*, creating an unusual angle of the walls, arches and stairways.

Tel: 03-2078 9052

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Pasar Seni Station or the KL Monorail to the Maharajalela Station. The temple is about a 10-minute walk away. It is also easily accessible on foot from Chinatown.

❑ Choo Sing Tong Temple

Kampung Kasipillai

This Chinese temple pays homage to the God of War, Guan Ti. Portrayed with a red face, long beard and a huge sword, Guan Ti was a valiant warrior who had served as a General in the Chinese army. One of the most interesting features of the temple is the carvings that depict tales relating to moral values such as filial piety. Visitors can stroll around the temple complex to enjoy the scenic surroundings.

Getting there: Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to this temple.

❑ Sri Maha Mariamman Temple

Jalan Tun H.S. Lee

This stunning Hindu temple is one of the oldest and most elaborate in the country. Its magnificent 22-metre-high gate tower and portico are adorned with intricately carved images of Hindu deities. Located within are the deities of the Hindu goddess Maha Mariamman embellished with gold and precious stones. Take in the sights and sounds from peddlers selling strings of jasmine garlands to aromatic incense filling the air.

Getting there: Take the Putra LRT to the Pasar Seni Station and walk towards the UDA Ocean shopping complex. Turn left and walk along Jalan Tun HS Lee. The temple is a few minutes away.

❑ Cathedral of Saint Mary the Virgin

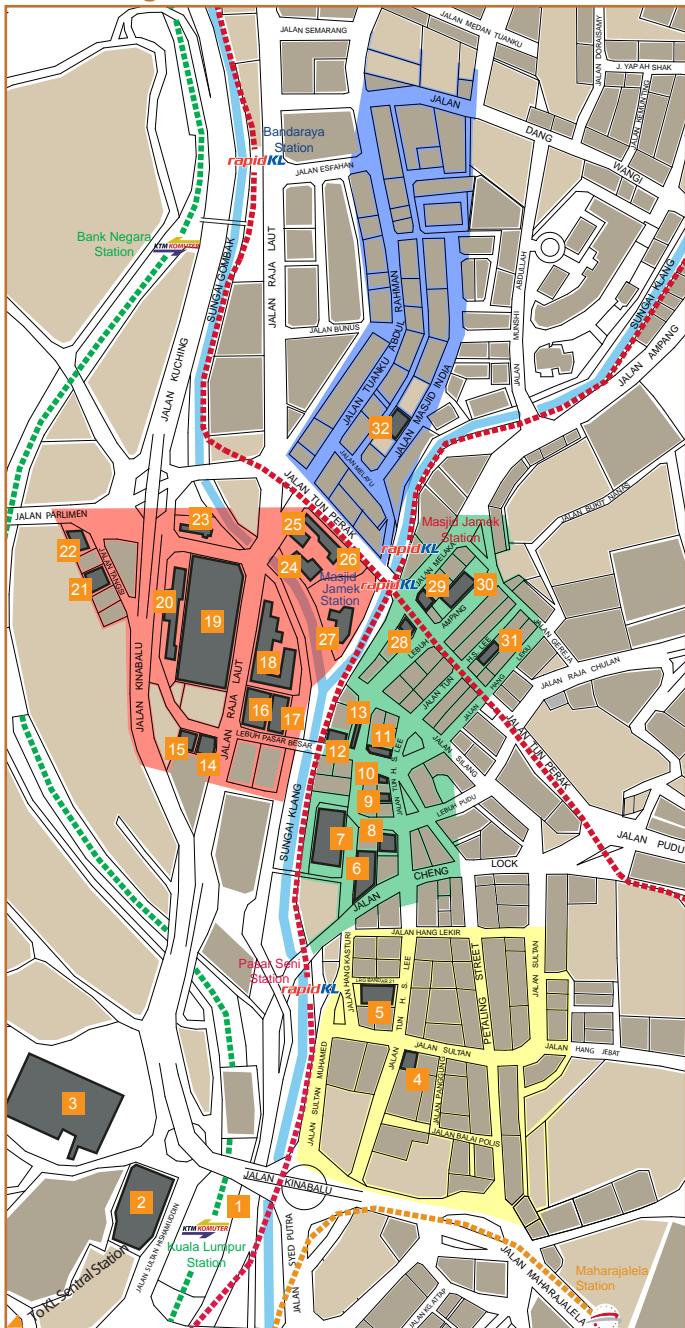
Jalan Raja

This is a fine example of early English Gothic architecture featuring beautiful stained glass windows, tasselled tile paving and buttresses. The laying of the foundation stone was carried out in 1894 by the British Resident, WH Treacher. Its design was proposed by A C Norman, a government architect. Of interest here is a pipe organ built in 1895 by Henry Willis, regarded as one of the greatest organ builders of his day.

Tel: 03-2692 8672

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Masjid Jamek Station. The cathedral is a 10-minute walk away and is situated beside the Royal Selangor Club.










□ Heritage Trails





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|----|------------------------------------|----|------------------------------------|
| 1 | KL Railway Station | 17 | Industrial Court |
| 2 | Malayan Railway (KTM) Headquarters | 18 | Sultan Abdul Samad Building |
| 3 | National Mosque | 19 | Dataran Merdeka (Merdeka Square) |
| 4 | UDA Ocean Shopping Complex | 20 | Royal Selangor Club |
| 5 | Sri Maha Mariamman Temple | 21 | PAM Building |
| 6 | Jalan Hang Kasturi Shophouses | 22 | Wisma Ekran |
| 7 | Pasar Seni (Central Market) | 23 | Cathedral of Saint Mary the Virgin |
| 8 | Sze Ya Temple | 24 | Old City Hall |
| 9 | Bank Simpanan Building | 25 | Old Survey Department |
| 10 | OCBC Building | 26 | Old High Court |
| 11 | Old Federal Store Building | 27 | Jamek Mosque |
| 12 | Sin Seng Nam Restaurant | 28 | Old Gian Singh Building |
| 13 | Medan Pasar (Market Square) | 29 | Bank Bumiputra Building |
| 14 | National History Museum | 30 | Lebuh Ampang |
| 15 | Kuala Lumpur Library | 31 | Jalan Tun H.S. Lee Shophouses |
| 16 | Old Post Office | 32 | Masjid India |

Legend

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|---|---------------------------|---|---------------------------|
|  | Jalan (Street) |  | Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman |
|  | Sungai (River) |  | Merdeka Square |
|  | RapidKL LRT Station |  | Market Square |
|  | RapidKL Monorail Station |  | Chinatown |
|  | KTM Komuter Train Station | | |



THEMED ATTRACTIONS

□ **Aquaria KLCC**

Concourse Level, Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre

Explore the mysteries of the ocean without having to leave the city. Lovers of aquatic life will enjoy a visit to this gigantic aquarium, situated at the basement of the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre. Reputed to be the largest aquarium in the world, it covers over 5,000 square feet, showcasing nearly 150 species of fishes from various parts of the world. Delight in watching the Sand Tiger Sharks, the over two-metre-long Arapaima Giga, coral fishes, seahorses and many more. Other attractions include snakes, geckos and poisonous dart frogs. The highlight here is a 90-metre-long tunnel for visitors to walk through, while watching the fish feeding sessions.

Entrance:

Malaysians (with MyKad) – RM35 (Adults) RM25 (Children / Senior Citizens)

Non-Malaysians – RM45 (Adults) RM35 (Children) RM25 (Senior Citizens)

Opening hours: 11.00am - 8.00pm . Last admission is at 7.00pm.

Tel: 03-2333 1888

Website: www.klaquaria.com

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the KLCC Station. Aquaria is linked to Suria KLCC via an underground walkway.



□ **Petrosains**

Level 4, Suria KLCC, Kuala Lumpur City Centre (KLCC)

Gain an insight into the petroleum industry in this exciting discovery centre. With 7,000 square metres of exhibit area, visitors will have an enjoyable time with the host of interactive displays, dioramas and activities. Travel in an oil-drop shaped vehicle, visit an oil platform or enjoy a thrilling ride in a helicopter simulator. A hand-held computer will help visitors to interact with the exhibits.

Entrance:

Malaysians (with MyKad):

RM15 (Adults; age 18 – 55 years) RM10 (Teenagers; age 13 – 17 years)

RM5 (Children; age 3 – 12 years) RM8 (Senior Citizens; age 56 and above)

Non-Malaysians:

RM25 (Adults; age 18 – 55 years) RM20 (Teenagers; age 13 – 17 years)

RM15 (Children; age 3 – 12 years) RM18 (Senior Citizens; age 56 years and above)

Opening hours: Tuesdays to Fridays: 9.30am - 5.30pm.

Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays: 9.30am - 6.30pm. Closed on Mondays.

Last admission is half an hour before the closing time.

Tel: 03-2331 8181

Website: www.petrosains.com.my

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the KLCC Station.

□ Royal Selangor Visitor Centre

Jalan Usahawan 6, Setapak Jaya

Welcome to the home of the world-renowned Royal Selangor pewter. Explore the Chamber of Chimes, Hall of Finishes and many more or join the guided factory tour to see the various stages of pewter processing from casting, soldering to engraving. The highlight of a visit here is The School of Hard Knocks, an hour-long workshop where visitors can create their own souvenirs. The retail store offers an exciting range of pewter homeware, silver filigree jewellery and gifts.

Entrance: Entrance to the Visitor Centre is free.

The participation fee for the School of Hard Knocks is RM50 per person. It is conducted in groups and prior arrangements must be made.

Opening hours: 9.00am - 5.00pm daily

Tel: 03-4145 6122

Website: www.royalselangor.com

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Wangsa Maju Station. From the station, taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to the centre.

□ National Planetarium

Jalan Perdana

The National Planetarium is situated on a hillock just outside the KL Lake Gardens, in the vicinity of the National Mosque. This blue-domed structure with futuristic design elements is the venue for a variety of fun-filled and exciting discoveries. View documentaries at its wide-screen cinema, marvel at the exhibits on astronomy or experience the thrill of zero gravity. The National Planetarium is accessible from the National Museum via an overhead pedestrian bridge.



Entrance: RM1 (Free for children below 12 years). Separate charges apply for shows/films.

Opening hours: 9.30am - 4.30pm daily.

Tel: 03-2273 5484

Website: www.angkasa.gov.my

Getting there: Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to get here.

□ National Science Centre

Persiaran Bukit Kiara, Bukit Kiara

Situated on the outskirts of the city, this futuristic-looking building is shaped like a truncated cone and covered with a huge geodesic dome. Established in 1996 to promote science and technology in the country, the centre features fascinating themes such as Pathways to Science, Kidz World, Thinking Machines, Freshwater Life and Science Wonderland.

Entrance: RM6 (Adults) RM3 (Children age 7 – 12 years)

Opening hours: 9.00am - 5.00pm daily. Closed on Fridays.

Tel: 03-2089 3400

Website: www.psn.gov.my

Getting there: Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to get here.



Titiwangsa Lake Gardens

TROPICAL ENCLAVES

Numerous parks and green areas provide the city with a garden-like ambience. These green lungs are beautifully landscaped and abound with lush tropical foliage and soothing water features. The National Zoo and several other parks afford you a closer look at a wide variety of animals. Most of these tropical enclaves are located just minutes away from the city centre.





□ **Perdana Botanical Gardens (KL Lake Gardens)**

Enjoy verdant greenery in this refreshing enclave. Perdana Botanical Gardens is the city's premier park, sprawling over 200 acres. Built around two lakes, this tropical garden has vistas of exotic blooms, luxuriant foliage, imposing sculptures, majestic raintrees and creative theme parks. Its jogging and walking trails provide refreshing recreation amidst pleasant surroundings.

Perdana Botanical Gardens and its environs is home to the Orchid & Hibiscus Garden, Deer Park, KL Butterfly Park and KL Bird Park.

Getting there: There are two points of entry to the Perdana Botanical Gardens, from the National Mosque in Jalan Perdana and from the National Monument in Jalan Parlimen. Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to this park.

Orchid & Hibiscus Gardens

Admire 800 varieties of rare and exotic orchids here. Visitors can buy their favourite varieties at the Orchid Bazaar held weekly on Sundays. The adjacent Hibiscus Garden showcases an assortment of the colourful blooms, known locally as the Bunga Raya, Malaysia's national flower.

Opening hours: 9.00am - 6.00pm daily.
Tel: 03-2693 0191



Deer Park

Sprawled over two hectares of undulating terrain, this area with shady trees, trickling streams and ponds is home to spotted deer from Holland. Enjoy feeding these gentle creatures and keep a look out for the endearing Sang Kancil, the wily mouse deer of ancient folklore.

Opening hours: 10.00am - 6.00pm daily.
Tel: 03-2693 2875



KL Butterfly Park

Marvel at more than 6,000 butterflies consisting of over 120 species. The park recreates the natural habitat of the butterfly, with a vast variety of exotic plants and multi-hued blooms. Stroll along to take a closer look at the various colours and sizes of these delicate creatures. Special attractions include the huge Raja Brooke, Iswara, Malay Lacewing, Five Bar Swordtail, Yellow Tip, Indian Leaf and Lime Butterfly species. Housed within the park are a butterfly nursery and breeding area, insect museum and souvenir shop.



Entrance:

Malaysians: RM10 (Adults) RM5 (Children)

Non-Malaysians: RM20 (Adults) RM10 (Children)

Additional charges for video cameras (RM4).

Opening hours: 9.00am - 6.00pm daily.

Last admission is at 5.45pm.

Tel: 03-2693 4799

KL Bird Park

Reputed to have the largest free-flight walk-in aviary in the world, this park is home to 3000 or more splendidly colored birds of 200 local and foreign species. Located within the Lake Gardens; this brilliantly landscaped, semi-natural 21-acre park houses exotic and amazing birds such as the Bird of Paradise, Changeable Hawk Eagle, Rhinoceros Hornbill and more. After your visit, enjoy a delicious meal at the Hornbill Restaurant, built in the style of a traditional Malay house.

Entrance: Please call for the latest entrance fee.

Opening hours: Open from 9.00am – 7.00pm daily. Counter closes at 6.00pm.

Tel: 03-2272 1010 (KL Bird Park)
03-2693 8086 (Hornbill Restaurant)

Website: www.klbirdpark.com



ASEAN Sculpture Garden

Explore this uniquely landscaped garden to view a collection of prize-winning sculptures in wood, marble, iron and bamboo. Exhibits are skilfully crafted by the ASEAN region's finest artists. The garden is situated adjacent to the National Monument and in the vicinity of the KL Lake Gardens.

Opening hours: 9.00am - 6.30pm.

Getting there: Take the KTM Komuter train to the Bank Negara Station. Proceed towards Bank Negara and on to Jalan Parlimen. The garden is a short walk away.



□ **KLCC Park** Kuala Lumpur City Centre (KLCC)

This is a beautifully landscaped park with approximately 1,900 indigenous trees and palms representing 74 species as well as soothing water features. The park beckons all in the family with a children's playground, a wading pool and a 1.3km rubberised jogging track. Various murals and sculptures add to its appeal. A delightful attraction here is the Symphony Lake, where two fountains provide 150 colourful and dazzling animations. (Refer to Modern Landmarks, page 6 and Sensational Shopping, page 75).

Opening hours: 7.00am - 10.00pm daily.

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the KLCC Station. The park is a short walk away, outside the SuriaKLCC shopping mall.





□ **Titiwangsa Lake Gardens** Jalan Temerloh

This pleasant oasis in the city consists of a man-made lake, a paddock, jogging trails, exercise stations and a children's playground. Go boating in the lake or take a walk to enjoy the fresh, crisp air and lush green surroundings. By night, the lake provides a stunning reflection of the Petronas Twin Towers. Savour local delights at the Nelayan Restaurant situated within the grounds. (Refer to Enthralling Performances, page 49).

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Titiwangsa Station. From here, taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to the lake gardens.

Kuala Lumpur Lake Gardens and Environs



- Legend**
- 1 Lake
 - 2 Boat House
 - 3 Bukit Aman Mosque
 - 4 Perdana Lake Club
 - 5 Herb Garden
 - 6 Hibiscus Garden
 - 7 Orchid Garden
 - 8 KL Bird Park
 - 9 KL Butterfly Park
 - 10 Tun Abdul Razak Memorial
 - 11 Islamic Arts Museum
 - 12 National Mosque
 - 13 Royal Malaysian Police Museum
 - 14 Malayan Railway (KTM) Headquarters
 - 15 National Planetarium
 - 16 National Museum
 - 17 National Monument
 - 18 ASEAN Sculpture Garden
 - Gazebo
 - P Parking
 - K Playground
 - C Café
 - T Public Toilet
 - Walkway
 - Easy Jogging Trail
 - Extreme Jogging Trail

KLCC Park □

Legend

- 1 Petronas Twin Towers
- 2 Suria KLCC
- 3 As-Syakirin Mosque
- 4 Symphony Lake
- 5 Children's Pool
- 6 Mandarin Oriental Hotel
- 7 Aquaria KLCC
- 8 Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre
- 9 Traders Hotel
- Gazebo
- P Parking
- K Playground
- T Public Toilet
- Jogging Trail
- Walkway



Titiwangsa Lake Gardens □

Legend

- 1 Lake
- 2 Horse-Riding Track
- 3 Recreational Office
- 4 Boat House
- 5 Sports Complex
- 6 Lotus Pond
- 7 Herb Garden
- 8 Football Field
- 9 Remote-Controlled Car Racing Track
- 10 Nelayan Restaurant
- 11 Horse Stable
- P Parking
- K Playground
- C Café
- T Public Toilet
- Jogging Trail
- Walkway



□ National Zoo Hulu Kelang



Situated just 13km northeast of KL, the zoo houses some 200 species of animals, birds and reptiles. Spend the day observing tigers, lions, Sumatran rhinos and other wildlife or watch entertaining performances by orang utans, elephants and sea lions at scheduled hours. Children and adults alike will enjoy the horse, camel and elephant rides. Tram rides are an interesting way to explore the zoo. See nocturnal animals such as tigers, tapirs, porcupines and Nile Hippos at their most active hours in the Zoo By Night on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays.

Entrance:

Package Rate (Inclusive of Insect Zoo and Butterfly Park)

Malaysians (with MyKad)

RM25 (Adults) RM9 (Children / Senior Citizens)

Non-Malaysians

RM35 (Adults / Senior Citizens) RM18 (Children)

Basic Rate (excluding Insect Zoo and Butterfly Park)

Malaysians (with MyKad)

RM20 (Adults) RM6 (Children / Senior Citizens)

Non-Malaysians

RM30 (Adults) RM15 (Children) RM30 (Senior Citizens)

Opening hours: 9.00am – 5.00pm daily.

Tel: 03-4108 3422

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Taman Melati or Wangsa Maju Station. From here, taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to the zoo.

□ Bukit Nanas Forest Reserve

This sanctuary has the distinction of being the oldest as well as the only permanent forest reserve in the heart of the city. Beginning at the slopes of KL Tower, the lowland dipterocarp forest stretches over 10.5 hectares and is home to a diversity of inhabitants. A 100-year-old Jelutong tree (*Dyera Consulata*) adds to the appeal here. Marvel at the lush foliage in a 70-metre boardwalk or join a guided tour to take a closer look at the trees, bamboos, herbs and climbers. Visitors can choose from three different trails. Look out for exotic birds, butterflies, squirrels and monkeys.



Kite-making at the Kuala Lumpur Craft Complex

TREASURE TROVES

KUALA LUMPUR offers museum-lovers and connoisseurs of the arts and crafts many spots to indulge their time. Its museums, memorials, art galleries and craft centres showcase unique and absorbing collections of the fine *objets d'art* and exhibits that will enhance the visitors experience of the country. Look out for special exhibitions or events held by these establishments throughout the year.



MUSEUMS



□ National Museum Jalan Damansara

Malaysia's premier museum located on the fringe of the KL Lake Gardens serves as a repository for the nation's rich history and heritage. Built in 1963, its façade features a Minangkabau-styled roof and two impressive front murals. Trace the nation's development over the decades in its four main galleries: Culture, Faces of Malaysia, Natural History and Weaponry, Traditional Musical Instruments & Ceramics. Among the highlights here are the collection of *keris* or the Malay dagger, ceramics from the Ming Dynasty and traditional musical instruments from various parts of Asia. Outdoor displays include vintage cars, an old steam locomotive and a replica of an old Malay palace. Thematic exhibitions are held from time to time.

Entrance: RM2 (Adults), RM1 (Children). Free for children under 12 years.

Opening hours: 9.00am - 6.00pm daily

Tel: 03-2282 6255

Website: www.museum.gov.my

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT, KL Monorail or KTM Komuter train to KL Sentral Station. From here, taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to the museum.

□ Malay World Gallery Jalan Damansara

Gain an insight into the heritage and legacy of the Malay world. This gallery showcases a collection of the finest and most uncommon exhibits that are associated with the Malay history and civilisation, sourced from various parts of the region such as Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Philippines and Cambodia. It is situated within the grounds of the National Museum.

Entrance is free.

Opening hours: 9.00am – 5.30pm daily. Closed on Hari Raya Aidilfitri and Aidiladha.

Tel: 03-2284 3157

Website: www.jmm.gov.my

Getting there: (please refer to National Museum)

❑ Cultural Craft Museum

Jalan Conlay

Located within the Craft Complex, the museum offers fascinating glimpses into the history and development of Malaysian crafts. Life-sized dioramas feature artisans at work, the tools they use to hone their skills, their workplace and their masterpieces.

Entrance: RM3 (Adults), RM1 (Children 7 – 12 years).

Free for students in school uniform.

Opening hours: 9.00am - 5.30pm

Tel: 03-2162 7533

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the KLCC Station or KL Monorail to the Raja Chulan Station. From here, taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to the museum.

❑ Museum of Asian Arts

University of Malaya

Situated within the University of Malaya campus, this museum showcases the creations of Asian artists. Displays include fine examples of local and Asian art pieces such as sculptures, ceramics and textiles. Students and researchers will be pleased to find materials on Asian art films, slides and pictures.

Entrance: Free.

Opening hours: 9.00am - 5.00pm. Closed on Saturdays and Sundays.

Tel: 03-7967 3805

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Universiti Station. Visitors can then take the feeder bus which goes into the campus grounds to get to the museum.

❑ Pucuk Rebung Museum Gallery

Lot 339, 3rd Floor, Suria KLCC (Ampang Mall Wing)
Kuala Lumpur City Centre (KLCC)

This gallery museum houses a splendid collection of artefacts from the ancient Malay world, dating to the 12th century. On display are fine pieces of antique fabrics, metalwork, jewellery, porcelain and pottery, crystal and contemporary art. For some unique souvenir items, choose from the various gifts and collectibles on sale.

Entrance: Free.

Opening hours: 10.00am - 10.00pm daily.

Tel: 03-2382 1109

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the KLCC Station.

❑ Jade Museum

No. 26, Jalan Delima, off Jalan Imbi

Enter a treasure trove of jade artefacts and ornaments. In some cultures, jade is hailed as 'the stone of heaven' and is purported to have mystical and healing powers. The Jade Museum displays a collection of antiques as well as accessories such as exquisite brooches, rings, earrings, necklaces and many more. Visitors can also view pieces of raw jade that were taken as sample from jade boulders. Gifts and souvenirs are available for purchase.

Entrance: Free.

Opening hours: 9.30am – 5.00pm daily.

Tel: 03-2142 9648

Website: www.jademuseum.com

Getting there: The Jade Museum is situated in the vicinity of Bukit Bintang. Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to the museum.

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Website: www.jademuseum.com

Getting there: The Jade Museum is situated in the vicinity of Bukit Bintang. Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to the museum.

❑ Maybank Numismatic Museum

1st Floor, Maybank Tower, Jalan Tun Perak

This museum houses an impressive collection of coins and notes from the early days of Malaya until the present time. It also serves as a centre of research into Malaysia's numismatic history.

Entrance: Free.

Opening hours: 10.00am - 4.30pm (Mondays to Fridays). Closed on weekends and public holidays.

Tel: 03-2074 7418

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Plaza Rakyat Station. The museum is a 5-minute walk away.

❑ National Telecommunications Museum (Telekomuzium)

Junction of Jalan Raja Chulan and Jalan Gereja

This museum showcases 120 years of telecommunications development, from the early days of the Morse Code telegraph to the digital networks of today.

Entrance: Free.

Opening hours: 9.00am – 5.00pm daily except during public holidays.

Tel: 03-2031 9966

Website: www.muziumtelekom.com.my

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Masjid Jamek Station and walk along Jalan Tun Perak towards the Maybank Tower. Turn left into Jalan Raja Chulan. The museum is a stone's throw away.

❑ Royal Malaysian Air Force Museum

Royal Malaysian Air Force Base,
Jalan Lapangan Terbang Lama

Entrance: Free.

Opening hours: 9.00am - 5.00pm. Closed on Fridays.

Tel: 03-2117 1133/1202

Getting there: Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to the museum.

❑ **Royal Malaysian Police Museum** No. 5, Jalan Perdana

Entrance: Free.

Opening hours: 10.00am - 6.00pm. Closed on Mondays.

Tel: 03-2272 5689

Getting there: Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to the museum.

ART GALLERIES

❑ **National Visual Arts Gallery** 2, Jalan Temerloh, off Jalan Tun Razak

This gallery displays paintings, sculptures and other works of leading Malaysian and international artists. It also features experimental works and touring exhibitions. The unique spiral passageway provides an opportunity to view art works from various levels and angles.



Opening hours: 8.00am – 5.00pm Mondays to Fridays.

Tel: 03-4025 4990

Website: www.artgallery.gov.my

Getting there: Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to the gallery.

❑ **Petronas Art Gallery** Level 3, Suria KLCC (Ampang Mall Wing) Kuala Lumpur City Centre (KLCC)

This gallery is designed with an emphasis on natural geometry and abstract concepts. Its display space of 1135.92 square metres features both traditional and modern artistic expressions. Activities here include art demonstrations, forums and classes. A range of interesting art materials are available in its souvenir shop.

Entrance: Free.

Opening hours: 10.00am - 8.00pm. Closed on Mondays.

Tel: 03-2051 7770

Website: www.galeripetronas.com.my

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the KLCC Station.

❑ **Galeri Tangsi** PAM Centre, Jalan Tangsi

Housed in the heritage building of the Architects Association of Malaysia (PAM), the gallery exhibits contemporary works by well-known names in the Malaysian arts scene, as well as budding artists.

Opening hours: 10.30am - 6.30pm (Mondays - Fridays).

Tel: 03-2691 0805

Getting there: Take the KTM Komuter train to the Bank Negara Station. The gallery is situated opposite Bank Negara.

MEMORIALS

□ **Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra Memorial** Jalan Dato' Onn

This memorial was established in honour of Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra Al-Haj, Malaysia's first Prime Minister (1957 - 1970) fondly known as 'the Father of Independence'. He is best remembered for his role in gaining independence for the country. The memorial serves as a permanent custodian for all his archival, museum and library materials. Visitors can view the materials on display and conduct research into the life and times of this charismatic statesman.

Entrance: Free.

Opening hours: 10.00am - 5.30pm. Closed on Mondays and from 12.00 noon to 3.00pm on Fridays.

Tel: 03-2694 7277

Getting there: Take the KTM Komuter train to the Bank Negara Station. The memorial is a 10-minute walk away.

□ **Tun Abdul Razak Memorial** Sri Taman, Jalan Perdana

The memorial is housed within Sri Taman, once the residence of Tun Abdul Razak, Malaysia's second Prime Minister (1970 - 1976). He was hailed as the 'Father of Development' for his role in the development of modern Malaysia. This historical building exhibits documents, library materials, personal belongings as well as the original furnishings. Of particular interest is the collection of gifts, mementos and souvenirs presented to him by leaders around the world. The memorial is situated close to the Bird Park, in the KL Lake Gardens.

Entrance: Free.

Opening hours: 9.00am - 5.30pm. Closed on Mondays and from 12.00 noon to 3.00pm on Fridays.

Tel: 03-2693 7740

Getting there: Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to this memorial.

□ **Galeria Sri Perdana** Jalan Damansara

Malaysia's fourth Prime Minister, Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad (1981 - 2003) is perhaps best known for his vision and foresight in accelerating the nation's development. During his tenure, the nation experienced a quantum leap in its transformation into an industrialised nation. Sri Perdana was his official residence for 16 years before it was shifted to Putrajaya. It now houses his personal collections and artefacts.

Entrance: Free.

Opening hours: 10.00am - 5.00pm. Closed on Mondays and from 12.00 noon to 3.00pm on Fridays.

Tel: 03-2072 0033

Getting there: Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to this memorial.

□ National Monument Jalan Parlimen

Situated overlooking the KL Lake Gardens, the huge bronze monument was built to pay tribute to the valiant soldiers who gave their lives defending the country during the Communist Insurgency in the 1950s. It was designed by Felix de Weldon, the architect of the famous Iwo Jima Memorial.



Getting there: Take the KTM Komuter train to the Bank Negara Station. Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to the monument.

□ P.Ramlee Memorial 22, Jalan Dedap, Taman P.Ramlee

The late Tan Sri P.Ramlee - actor, director, singer and composer extraordinaire - was known for his invaluable contributions to the music and film industry. This memorial houses various exhibits and audio visual materials pertaining to his life and artistic achievements.

Entrance: Free.

Opening hours: 10.00am - 5.30pm. Closed on Mondays and from 12.00 noon to 3.00pm on Fridays.

Tel: 03-4023 1131

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Pekeliling Station. From here, taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to the memorial.

CRAFT CENTRES

□ Kuala Lumpur Craft Complex Jalan Conlay

Styled like a Malay village, this complex is an artists' colony housing handicraft shops, an art workshop, craft museum and food court. Interesting activities here range from batik-painting to weaving, jewellery-making and pottery. Watch the artisans as they skilfully create exquisite items from silver and brass or try your hand at the art of batik-painting. Visitors can buy export quality Malaysian handicrafts such as kaftans, bathrobes, silverware, pewterware, glassware, pottery, silk batik paintings and songket, the Malaysian brocade.

Entrance: Free.

Opening hours:

Information Counter / Craft Village & Artists' Colony - 9.00am – 6.00pm

Museum – 9.00am – 5.30pm

Handicraft Shop – 9.00am – 8.00pm

Tel: 03-2162 7533

Website: www.kraftangan.gov.my

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the KLCC Station or the KL Monorail to the Raja Chulan Station. From these stations, taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to the complex.

Other popular spots for crafts are the Central Market and Laman Seni. (Refer to Sensational Shopping, pages 76 and 81)

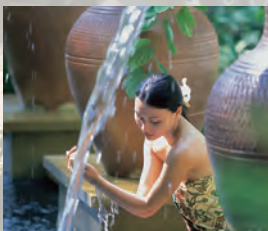


Sembunyi Spa

RELAX AND REJUVENATE

KUALA LUMPUR offers a host of facilities for health and relaxation. Pamper yourself within the luxurious comforts of the city's spas. Rejuvenate your senses with a traditional Malay massage or time-honoured Balinese and Thai health rituals. Most spas in KL are set within lush greenery and are aesthetically designed to provide the perfect ambience to de-stress. Some leading hotels in the city are equipped with exclusive spa facilities for the convenience of their guests. Fitness centres can be found at most major shopping malls and hotels in the city.

KL is fast gaining recognition as a regional centre for healthcare. The many modern private hospitals here offer 24-hour medical facilities, health screening and diagnostic services. Qualified medical practitioners and state-of-the-art equipment ensure a high-standard of healthcare.





SPA RETREATS

□ JoJoBa Spa

15th Floor, Berjaya Times Square Hotel, Jalan Imbi

Covering 7.000 sq feet of space, this is touted to be the largest 'Tourism Spa' in Kuala Lumpur. The treatment rooms are named after the states in Malaysia to represent the unique characteristics of the country and its attractions.

Tel: 03-2144 9966

Website: www.jojoba.com.my

□ Spa Village Kuala Lumpur

The Ritz-Carlton, Kuala Lumpur, 168 Jalan Imbi

Created as a tropical urban spa, this spa draws on the healing therapies of the region. Treatment ranges from Royal Malay and Peranakan Chinese. It also offers a sophisticated mix of the world's best therapies. Its Sensory Room is the only one of its kind in Asia.

Tel: 03-2782 9090 / 2142 8000

Website: www.spavillage.com

□ Sompoton Spa

Prince Hotel & Residence, Jalan Conlay

Take your pick from Ayurvedic oil treatments, Balinese massages to a warm stone massage. The Mandara Signature Massage, performed by two therapists, combines five different styles. Invigorate your mind and body with the various spa packages and facials.

Tel: 03-2170 8888

Website: www.mandaraspaspa.com

□ Ozmosis Health & Day Spa

Level 1, 14 – 16 Jalan Telawi 2, Bangsar Baru

This Balinese-inspired spa offers a complete range of Southeast Asian and Western therapies, including aromatic massages, body scrubs, mud wraps, aromatherapy baths and steam treatments.

Tel: 03-2287 0380

Website: www.ozmosis.com.my

□ Samsara Spa

Swiss Garden Hotel & Residences, No. 117, Jalan Pudu

This spa specialises in age-old massage practices using only natural and herbal ingredients. Enjoy the Samsara Signature Massage which combines the Malaysian, Balinese, Thai and Hawaiian techniques.

Tel: 03-2141 3333

Website: www.swissgarden.com

❑ **Mandara Spa**

The Renaissance Kuala Lumpur Hotel
Corner of Jalan Sultan Ismail and Jalan Ampang

Tel: 03-2162 2233

Website: www.mandaraspaspa.com

❑ **Energy Day Spa**

Level 4, Great Eastern Mall, Jalan Ampang

Tel: 03-4256 8833

Website: www.energymindbodyspirit.com

❑ **Starhill Spa**

JW Marriott Hotel, No. 183, Jalan Bukit Bintang

Tel: 03-2715 9000

❑ **The Spa**

Mandarin Oriental Hotel, KLCC

Tel: 03-2179 8772

Website: www.mandarinoriental.com/kualalumpur

❑ **Senjakala Spa (Men's spa)**

No. 20, Jalan Pudu Lama

Tel: 03-2031 8082

Website: www.senjakala.com

❑ **Kamboja Spa**

The Ascott, Jalan Pinang

Tel: 03-2140 2343 / 2142 6868

❑ **Jentayu Spa**

No. 11, Jalan Gelenggang, Damansara Heights

Tel: 03-2094 4428

❑ **Donna Spa**

S27, Pamper Floor, Starhill Gallery

Tel: 03-2141 8999

❑ **Angsana Spa**

Crowne Plaza Mutiara Hotel, Jalan Sultan Ismail

Tel: 03-2141 4321 / 2148 2322

Website: www.angsanaspaspa.com

Note: The above listing is not exhaustive.



HEALTHCARE



KUALA LUMPUR

☐ **National Heart Institute** 145, Jalan Tun Razak

Tel: 03-2617 8200

Website: www.ijn.com.my

☐ **Pantai Hospital Kuala Lumpur** 8, Jalan Bukit Pantai

Tel: 03-2296 0888

Website: www.pantai.com.my

☐ **Prince Court Medical Centre** 39, Jalan Kia Peng

Tel: 03-2160 0000

Website: www.princecourt.com

☐ **Sentosa Medical Centre** 36, Jalan Cemur, Kompleks Damai

Tel: 03-4043 7166

Website: www.sentosa.kpjhealth.com.my

☐ **Tawakkal Hospital** 202A, Jalan Pahang

Tel: 03-4026 7777

Website: www.tawakal.kpjhealth.com.my

☐ **Twin Towers Medical Centre** Lot LC 402 – 404, Level 4, Suria KLCC

Tel: 03-2382 3500

Website: www.ttmcklcc.com.my

☐ **Gleneagles Kuala Lumpur** 282 & 286, Jalan Ampang

Tel: 03-4141 3000

Website: www.gimc.com.my

☐ **Tung Shin Hospital** No. 102, Jalan Pudu

Tel: 03-2037 2288

Website: www.tungshinhospital.com.my

❑ **Taman Desa Medical Centre**

45, Jalan Desa, Taman Desa

Tel: 03-7982 6500

Website: www.tdmc.com.my

❑ **HSC Medical Center**

5 – 1, Menara HSC, 187 Jalan Ampang

Tel: 03-2712 0866 / 0903

Website: www.hsc.com.my

❑ **HeartScan Malaysia Diagnostic Centre**

107 & 109, Jalan Maarof, Bangsar

Tel: 03-2287 0988

Website: www.heartscan.com.my

DAMANSARA/AMPANG

❑ **Ampang Puteri Specialist Hospital**

1, Jalan Mamanda 9, Taman Dato' Ahmad Razali, Ampang

Tel: 03-4270 2500

Website: www.apsh.kpjhealth.com.my

❑ **Damansara Specialist Hospital**

No. 119, Jalan SS20/10, Petaling Jaya

Tel: 03-7722 2692

Website: www.dsh.kpjhealth.com.my

❑ **TMC Fertility Centre**

2nd Floor, Tropicana Medical Centre, 11, Jalan Teknologi,
Taman Sains Selangor, Petaling Jaya

Tel: 03-6287 1000

Website: www.tmcfertility.com

❑ **Pantai Hospital Ampang**

Jalan Perubatan 1, Pandan Indah

Tel: 03-4289 2828

Website: www.pantai.com.my

PETALING JAYA/SUBANG JAYA

❑ **Sime Darby Medical Centre**

No. 1, Jalan SS12/1A, Subang Jaya

Tel: 03-5639 1212

Website: www.simedarbyhealthcare.com

❑ **Sunway Medical Centre**

No. 5, Jalan Lagoon Selatan, Bandar Sunway

Tel: 03-7491 9191

Website: www.sunway.com.my

❑ **Tun Hussein Onn National Eye Hospital**

Lot 2, Lorong Utara B, Petaling Jaya

Tel: 03-7718 1488

Website: www.thoneh.com

❑ **Assunta Hospital**

Lot 68, Jalan Templer, Petaling Jaya

Tel: 03-7680 7000

Website: www.assunta.com.my



Cultural Performances

ENTHRALLING PERFORMANCES

KUALA LUMPUR'S performing arts scene is packed with an exciting array of entertainment all year round. The offerings include traditional cultural shows, contemporary theatre, orchestral concerts, recitals and ballet performances. The city frequently plays host to internationally renowned musicians, artists and performing groups. Premier concert halls for the performing arts are Istana Budaya (The National Theatre) and Petronas Philharmonic Hall. Cultural performances are also held at several reputable establishments such as KL Tower, Seri Melayu Restaurant and Malaysia Tourism Centre (MATIC).



PREMIER CONCERT HALLS

□ **Istana Budaya** Jalan Tun Razak

Istana Budaya or The National Theatre is the leading establishment for the performing arts in Malaysia with an outstanding array of talents, including the National Symphony Orchestra, National Choir, National Youth Choir, as well as a host of musicians and artists. Enjoy a variety of Malaysian cultural and musical performances as well as acclaimed international musicals, concerts and ballet performances. The superbly-designed building is equipped with a state-of-the-art stage, sound system and equipment.

Entrance: Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office Counter from 9.00am to 6.00pm (Mondays - Fridays) / 9.00am to 1.00pm (Saturdays).

Tel: 03-4026 5555 / 4026 5558 / 4024 8220

Website: www.istanabudaya.gov.my

Seating capacity: 1392 seats (Auditorium)

Dress code: Formal Wear (Lounge Suit, Batik or Long-Sleeved Shirt) or Traditional Attire.

Getting there: Taxis are the most convenient mode of transport to get here.

□ **Petronas Philharmonic Hall** Ground Floor, Tower 2, Petronas Twin Towers, Kuala Lumpur City Centre (KLCC)

The Petronas Philharmonic Hall is home to the Malaysian Philharmonic Orchestra or MPO. Occasionally, the orchestra performs overseas and has won several accolades for its outstanding performances. Its annual schedule includes chamber music, contemporary music and commissioned works. Watch the orchestra perform at the Petronas Philharmonic Hall, a classical concert hall with state-of-the-art facilities and superb acoustics.



Entrance: Tickets can be purchased at the Box Office Counter or by phone, fax or online.

Tel: 03-2051 7008

Website:

www.malaysianphilharmonic.com

Dress code: Formal Evening Wear.

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the KLCC Station.



DANCE STUDIOS AND FINE ARTS CENTRES

□ **National Academy of Arts, Culture and Heritage (ASWARA)**

Jalan Tun Ismail

The nation's leading arts academy trains students in various fields relating to the performing arts such as cinematography, dance, music and writing. Performances are staged periodically by students.

Tel: 03-2697 1777 / 5046

Website: www.aswara.edu.my

Getting there: Take the KTM Komuter train to the Bank Negara Station. From here, taxis are the most convenient mode of transport.

□ **Lanai Seni**

Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman

The City Hall in collaboration with the Ministry of Information, Communication and Culture stages a variety of traditional, cultural and musical performances on the first and third Saturday of the month (8.30pm – 10.30pm).

Tel: 03-2617 6000 / 6309 / 6289

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Masjid Jamek Station. Lanai Seni is a 10-minute walk from the station. The nearest landmark is the Coliseum Theatre, situated along Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman.

□ **The Actors Studio**

Lot 10 and Sentul Park

Malaysia's first privately owned and operated theatre company holds various plays and conducts classes for enthusiasts. Enjoy entertaining performances at its two venues in Kuala Lumpur.

Tel: 03-2142 2009 (The Actors Studio @ Lot 10) / 4047 9000 (The Kuala Lumpur Performing Arts Centre @ Sentul Park)

Website: www.theactorsstudio.com.my

Getting there: Access to Lot 10 is easily available via KL Monorail. To get to Sentul Park, take the RapidKL LRT to Sentul station.

□ **Sutra Foundation** 12, Persiaran Titiwangsa 3

This is a privately owned performing arts centre in Malaysia, which promotes traditional and contemporary arts. Its main focus is on Indian classical dances. The Sutra Gallery showcases a collection of works related to dance. The Sutra Academy offers classes in Indian classical dance, ballet and body conditioning. The Sutra Gallery is open to the public from Mondays – Fridays (11.00am – 5.00pm).

Website: www.sutrafoundation.org.my



□ Panggung Bandaraya

Junction of Jalan Tun Perak and Jalan Raja

Situated in the vicinity of KL's historical landmarks such as Merdeka Square and the Royal Selangor Club, Panggung Bandaraya is gazetted as a heritage building for its beautiful Moorish facade. It is the venue for year-round local and international performances.

Tel: 03-2617 6307

Website: www.dbkl.gov.my/panggung

Seating capacity: 400

Dress code: Lounge Suit or Batik attire for orchestras / choir performances. Smart casual for theatre or dance performances.



OTHER PERFORMANCE VENUES

Visitors can also enjoy scheduled cultural performances at the following venues:

□ Malaysia Tourism Centre (MATIC)

Jalan Ampang

Cultural performances are held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3.00pm - 3.45pm. On Sundays, the performances are from 8.30pm – 9.15pm. (Refer to Heritage Sites, page 11)

Performance: RM5 (Adults), Free for children under 12 years.

Infoline: 1 300 88 5050

Tel: 03-9235 4800 / 4848 / 4900





□ **KL Tower**
Jalan Punchak

Enjoy traditional Malay dances, music and games at KL Tower. These performances can be enjoyed at the 1Malaysia Cultural Village. Morning performances are held from 10.30am until 12.30pm. Afternoon performances are held from 2.30pm to 4.30pm. Tickets are available at the entrance to KL Tower.

Tel: 03-2020 5444 / 2020 1641

□ **Seri Melayu Restaurant**
Jalan Conlay

Dine in an elegant Malay-styled setting while you enjoy cultural performances from 8.30pm - 9.15pm daily.

Tel: 03-2145 1833

Website: www.serimelayu.com



Colours of Malaysia

CELEBRATIONS GALORE

IN multiracial KL, colourful festivals and cultural celebrations abound all year round. Major events to look out for are the Federal Territory Day, National Day, The Birthday of His Majesty The King of Malaysia and national Open House celebrations. Don't miss the annual Citrawarna or Colours of Malaysia - the country's biggest cultural extravaganza.



RELIGIOUS FESTIVALS

□ Hari Raya Aidilfitri

Muslims celebrate this festival at the end of Ramadan, the fasting month. A joyous mood and festive atmosphere prevails especially at night, when houses and gardens are decorated with lights. On the morning of Hari Raya, special prayers are held in mosques, and families visit graves of departed loved ones. This is also the time for family reunions.



□ Hari Raya Aidiladha

Also known as Hari Raya Haji or Korban, this Muslim festival is celebrated to mark the completion of the pilgrimage in Mecca. Special morning prayers are held in mosques all over the country. It is common for cattle, goats or ram to be sacrificed and the meat distributed to the poor.

□ Chinese Lunar New Year

This festival marks the commencement of the Chinese lunar calendar. Celebrated over 15 days, the highlight is the family reunion dinner. Children look forward to receiving the customary *ang pow* or red packets of money from elders. Lion dances are a common feature during this occasion.



□ Deepavali

Hindus celebrate Deepavali or the Festival of Lights to commemorate the triumph of good over evil. The day begins with a ritualistic oil bath and prayers accompanied by merrymaking and feasting.



❑ Christmas

The city's Christian community celebrates Christmas by attending services in churches. Carollers mark the Yuletide spirit by visiting homes while shopping centres are decked with Christmas trimmings.

❑ Wesak Day

Wesak Day falls in the month of May and commemorates Lord Buddha's birth, enlightenment and death. Devotees participate in rituals and prayers at temples around the country. Highlights include the release of doves at temples and a colourful float procession at night.



❑ Thaipusam

This colourful and mesmerising Hindu festival is celebrated in honour of Lord Muruga at the famous Batu Caves, outside Kuala Lumpur. An elaborately decorated chariot bearing the deity accompanied by thousands of devotees carrying *kavadis*, or ornate frames as penance, make this an extraordinary sight.



❑ Mid-Autumn Festival (Lantern & Mooncake Festival)

Although it had its origins in China, this festival has come to symbolise a quiet celebration of peace and shared prosperity. Colourful lantern processions and a delectable variety of mooncakes are highlights of the festival.



NATIONAL CELEBRATIONS

□ **New Year's Eve**

Join Malaysians in the countdown to usher in the New Year. Open-air celebrations and concerts are grand affairs and are held at various locations in the city such as Dataran Merdeka and KLCC.



□ **Federal Territory Day**

Celebrated annually on 1 February, this day commemorates Kuala Lumpur's declaration as a Federal Territory in 1974. Also known as City Day, this public holiday is celebrated with exciting parades, firework displays, exhibitions and cultural shows. Most events are open to the public.

□ **Birthday of His Majesty The King of Malaysia**

The official birthday of His Majesty The King of Malaysia is celebrated on the first Saturday of June. This auspicious occasion is marked by the bestowal of state honours and awards upon those who have rendered exceptional service to the country. Highlights include the 'Trooping of the Colours' by the armed forces as well as a host of cultural shows and exhibitions.

□ **Colours of 1Malaysia**

Citrawarna Malaysia or Colours of 1Malaysia is an enthralling month-long showcase of the nation's cultural diversity. Enjoy stunning and colourful performances that include parades, traditional dances and musical performances.



□ National Day

On 31st August, Malaysians from all walks of life come together to celebrate the National Day to mark Malaysia's independence. To commemorate this significant occasion, a month-long celebration takes place in Kuala Lumpur and throughout the country. Major activities include exhibitions, colourful parades and spectacular fireworks. The proud display of Malaysian flags in the city is a sight to behold.



□ Events Diary

Major Events in Kuala Lumpur/Selangor/ Putrajaya

January • KL 1Malaysia Family Fair@MATIC (every Saturday throughout the year) **February** National Craft Day **March** Malaysia GP Sale **April** Malaysia International Shoe Festival • Petronas F1 Malaysia Grand Prix **May** Colours of 1Malaysia • Wedding Craft Promotion **June** Super GT International Series Malaysia **July** Malaysia Contemporary Art Tourism Festival (MCAT) • Kuala Lumpur Festival (KL Fest) • Malaysia Mega Sale Carnival **August** Ramadan Bazaar • Malaysia National Day **September** Hari Raya Open House Celebration • Lantern Festival • Merdeka Millennium Endurance Race • Malaysia Day Celebration • Music, Arts and Style International Festival (MASIF) • Textile Craft Promotion • Malaysia Open ATP World Tour 250 **October** Fabulous Food 1Malaysia – Malaysia International Gourmet Festival • Malaysian Motorcycle Grand Prix • International Kolam Festival • Malaysia Art Expo **November** Fabulous Food 1Malaysia – ASEAN Food Heritage Trail • Textile Carnival and Exhibition • International Indigenous and Aborigines Art Festival • Kuala Lumpur International Film Festival (KLIFF) • Malaysia Year-End Sale (M-YES) **December** Fabulous Food 1Malaysia – Street Food and Restaurant Festival • Sepang 1000km Endurance Race • Cuti-Cuti 1Malaysia Dance Tourism Carnival



ACTION AND EXCITEMENT

KUALA LUMPUR'S excellent infrastructure and conducive weather makes it a preferred venue for major sporting events and recreational pursuits. Its impressive range of facilities include state-of-the-art motor racing circuits, comprehensive sports complexes, championship golf courses, superb equestrian clubs and theme parks. Some exciting spectator events are the annual Petronas Malaysian F1 Grand Prix, Le Tour de Langkawi cycling race, Raja Muda Regatta, KL International Marathon and KL International Tower Jump.



SPORTS AND RECREATION

□ **Le Tour de Langkawi**

Acclaimed as one of the top cycling races in the world, this action-packed event sees top international riders traversing the spectacular and treacherous terrains of the country, from the idyllic island of Langkawi to Dataran Merdeka in Kuala Lumpur. The last leg of the competition is the toughest, with three climbs between KL Tower and Putrajaya, the country's administrative capital. On the last day, competitors will pass through some of KL's most impressive landmarks before the grand finale at Dataran Merdeka.

□ **Petronas Malaysian F1 Grand Prix**

This premier motorsports event attracts the world's top rally drivers to Malaysia annually. The venue, Sepang International Circuit (SIC), is acclaimed as one of the world's most challenging tracks. The unique double-frontage grandstand area provides a splendid view of the race. Other motor sports events held here are the Malaysian Motorcycle Grand Prix and Japan GT races.



□ **KL International Tower Jump**

Watch daring B.A.S.E. jumpers as they execute spectacular leaps off the KL Tower from an astounding height of 300 metres. This death-defying annual event attracts participation from the global B.A.S.E. jumping fraternity.

□ **KL International Marathon**

Over 7,000 participants from Malaysia and 35 other countries take part in this annual race, organised by KL City Hall and the Federal Territory Amateur Athletics Association. The race begins and ends at Dataran Merdeka, and passes through the city's major landmarks such as the Petronas Twin Towers, KL Tower, National Mosque and KL Lake Gardens.

□ Golfing

KL is a paradise for golfers offering over 40 golf courses in and around the city. Many are located within exclusive resorts and clubs, boasting excellent facilities and unrivalled services. Night golfing is an additional feature that makes golfing in Malaysia an enjoyable experience.



The green fee for 18 holes may range from RM120 to RM400 while caddy rates are around RM25 to RM50. Tipping is optional. Buggy charge is around RM40 to RM50. A levy of RM20 is charged for night golfing. Some hotels and tour operators offer attractive golf packages but clubs may also accept walk-in players.

For more information on golfing, visit www.mgaonline.com.my

Among the golf courses around the city are:

- **Kuala Lumpur, Golf & Country Club**
No. 10, Jalan 1/70D, Off Jalan Bukit Kiara
18 Holes, Par 72
Green Fee: RM120 - RM250
Tel: 03-2093 1111
- **Bukit Jalil Golf & Country Club**
Jalan 3/155B, Bukit Jalil
27 Holes, Par 72
Green Fee: RM84 - RM180
Tel: 03-8994 1600
- **Public Services Golf Club (KGPA)**
Bukit Kiara, off Jalan Damansara
27 Holes, Par 72
Green Fee: RM63 - RM120
Tel: 03-7957 3344
- **Palm Garden Golf Club**
Batu 7, Jalan Kajang - Puchong, Putrajaya
27 Holes, Par 36
Green Fee: RM105 - RM200
Tel: 03-8942 7160
- **Bangi Golf Resort**
No. 1, Persiaran Bandar Baru Bangi
27 Holes, Par 72
Green Fee: RM84 - RM180
Tel: 03-8925 3728 / 8210 2288
- **Bukit Unggul Country Club**
Lot PT 2180, 2181 & 2182, Dengkil
18 Holes, Par 71
Green Fee: RM90 - RM150+
Tel: 03-8920 2888 / 2188
- **Glenmarie Golf & Country Club**
Jalan Glenmarie, Off Jalan Lapangan Terbang Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah
36 Holes, Par 72
Green Fee: RM120 - RM220
Tel: 03-7803 9090
- **Kajang Hill Golf Club**
Lot 1917 Off Km 29, Jalan Semenyih
18 Holes, Par 72
Green Fee: RM63 - RM208
Tel: 03-8723 9668
- **Seri Selangor Golf Club**
Persiaran Damansara Indah
Off Persiaran Tropicana, Petaling Jaya
18 Holes, Par 72
Green Fee: RM30 - RM80
Tel: 03-7806 1111/1666
- **Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah Golf Club**
No. 1 Rumah Kelab, Jalan Kelab Golf 13/6
27 Holes, Par 72
Green Fees: RM105 - RM242
Tel: 03-5510 5872
- **Kota Permai Golf & Country Club**
No. 1, Jalan 31/100A, Kota Kemuning
18 Holes, Par 72
Green Fees: RM158 - RM263
Tel: 03-5122 3700
- **Monterez Golf & Country Club**
No. 1, Jalan Merah Kesumba
U9/18, Seksyen U9, Shah Alam
18 Holes, Par 71
Green Fees: RM88 - RM132
Tel: 03-7846 5989
- **Perangsang Templer Golf Club**
No. 1, Templer Park Resort, Rawang
18 Holes, Par 72
Green Fees: RM63 - RM168
Tel: 03-6091 0022
- **Royal Selangor Golf Club**
Jalan Kelab Golf, Off Jalan Tun Razak
36 Holes, Par 72
Green Fees: RM380
Tel: 03-9206 3333
- **Saujana Golf & Country Club**
Saujana Resort, Seksyen U2, Shah Alam
18 Holes, Par 72
Green Fees: RM196 - RM316
Tel: 03-7846 1466
- **Tasik Puteri Golf & Country Club**
Bandar Tasik Puteri, Kundang, Rawang
18 Holes, Par 72
Green Fees: RM60 - RM115++
Tel: 03-6034 4722 / 4721
- **Templer Park Country Club**
Km 21, Jalan Rawang
18 Holes, Par 72
Green Fees: RM150 - RM250
Tel: 03-6091 9617
- **Tropicana Golf & Country Club**
Jalan Kelab Tropicana,
Off Jalan Tropicana Utama, Petaling Jaya
27 Holes, Par 72
Green Fees: RM70 - RM180
Tel: 03-7804 8888

□ Bowling

Most bowling alleys in the city are situated within shopping malls, or in the vicinity of hotel and other recreation centres.

- **Ampang Superbowl**
Ampang Point
- **Ampang Superbowl**
Subang USJ
- **Ampang Superbowl**
Berjaya Times Square
- **Mega Lanes Kuala Lumpur**
Endah Parade Shopping Centre
- **Pandan Strike Bowl**
Pandan Lake Club
- **Star Bowl**
Desa Complex, Kepong
- **Pin Junction**
Mutiara Damansara
- **Pyramid Mega Lanes**
Sunway Pyramid Shopping Centre
- **Selayang Bowl**
Selayang Mall

□ Equestrian Sports

Equestrian sports are gaining in popularity in the city. Many equestrian centres have emerged offering facilities such as stables, indoor arena, polo field, riding paddocks, exercise tracks and hacking trails. Well-known equestrian events include the Kuala Lumpur Grand Prix Horse Show.



□ **Rock Climbing**

The sheer limestone cliffs of Batu Caves, just outside KL beckon those with a yen for this gravity-defying sport. The climbs pose varying degrees of difficulty and average between 20 to 30 metres. The Summit USJ Shopping Mall houses Malaysia's first indoor rock-climbing facility. The Summit Climbing Gym here has 300 square metres of walls, providing 120 climbing routes.



□ **Extreme Games**

The Extreme Park located in the Sunway township, southwest of KL offers skateboarding, go-karting, water-skiing, jet-skiing, wakeboarding, remote-controlled car racing and paintball facilities. An angling lake, petting zoo, camping ground and golf course can also be found here.



THEME PARKS

KL has some of the most exciting theme parks in the region, offering a wide range of amusement facilities, rides and thrilling water-based activities. Most of them are located within or near major shopping malls and hotels.



□ **Berjaya Times Square Theme Park** 5th and 7th Floor, Berjaya Times Square

This gigantic indoor theme park is spread over 133,000 square feet. The numerous rides and games offer endless fun for visitors of all ages. Galaxy Station, designed specifically for teenagers and adults, has six different rides. Don't miss the thrilling Supersonic Odyssey roller coaster! Families can enjoy a delightful time at the Fantasy Garden which is filled with cartoon imagery of huge plants and creatures.

Entrance: Monday - Friday

Malaysians with MyKad RM32 (Adults) RM22 (Children)

Non-Malaysians RM38 (Adults) RM28 (Children)

Weekends/Public Holidays/School Holidays

Malaysians with MyKad RM37 (Adults) RM27 (Children)

Non-Malaysians RM43 (Adults) RM33 (Children)

Opening hours: 12.00 noon – 10.00pm daily.

Saturdays & Sundays: 11.00am – 10.00pm.

Tel: 03-2117 3118

Website: www.timessquarekl.com

Getting there: Take the KL Monorail to the Imbi Station. This leads you directly to Berjaya Times Square. Alternatively, take the RapidKL LRT to the Hang Tuah Station. The mall is a five-minute walk from the Hang Tuah Station. (Refer to Sensational Shopping, page 71).

☐ **Sunway Lagoon** Bandar Sunway

Enjoy a host of water and land attractions at this theme park, located in the suburb of Bandar Sunway. Each of its themed sections offers fantastic rides and attractions. The Waters of Africa takes one on a fantasy journey into the wilderness of this continent. The Wild Wild West transports you into a cowboy town, where more adventures await. Enjoy a stunning view of the entire lagoon from the world's largest pedestrian suspension bridge at 428 metres.

Entrance:

All Parks:

(Water Park, Amusement Park, Wildlife Park, Extreme Park and Scream Park)

RM100 (Adults) RM80 (Children)

Special rates apply for Malaysian MyKad holders: RM75 (Adults) RM60 (Children)

Three Parks:

(Water Park, Amusement Park and Wildlife Park)

RM80 (Adults) RM65 (Children)

Malaysian MyKad holders: RM60 (Adults) RM48 (Children)

Opening hours: Weekdays: 11.00am – 6.00pm. Saturdays & Sundays, public holidays and school holidays: 10.00am – 6.00pm. Closed on Tuesdays.

Tel: 03-5635 8000

Website: www.sunwaylagoon.com

Getting there: Take the KTM Komuter train to the Subang Jaya Station or the RapidKL LRT to the Kelana Jaya Station. From these stations, taxis are the best mode of transport to get to the park. Sunway Lagoon is situated next to the Sunway Pyramid shopping mall.



☐ **Desa Water Park** Taman Desa

Sprawling over five hectares, this waterpark provides fun and laughter for all in the family. Enjoy a ride at the park's three wave pools and get yourself splashing wet at the Ultimate Water Factory. The highlight here is the Thunderbolt, one of the longest uphill water coasters in Asia.

Entrance: RM24 (Adults) RM17 (Children). Free for children below 2.5 feet.

Opening hours: Monday – Friday: 12.00 noon – 6.00pm

Weekends and Public Holidays: 10.00am – 6.00pm. Closed on Wednesdays.

Tel: 03-7118 8338

Getting there: Taxis are the best mode of transport to get here.

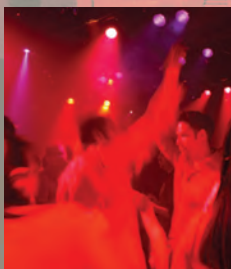
Website: www.desawaterpark.com.my



Live Entertainment in KL

DAZZLING NIGHTLIFE

AFTER the sun goes down, the city comes alive with a wide variety of exciting nightspots. Karaoke lounges, clubs with live bands and discotheques are among the happening places that make their mark on the city's vibrant nightscene. Unwind at the trendy sidewalk cafés and delicatessens until late night or sip your favourite drink while you listen to live bands at the clubs. The city's alfresco outlets are the places to be for a stunning view of KL by night.





□ **Alfresco Dining and Entertainment**

Join the city's urbanites and expatriates at chic outlets along Jalan Bukit Bintang and Bangsar. These outlets offer a range of Western, fusion and Asian-style bistros that are open late into the night.

□ **Clubbing**

Hang out at cool nightspots that host themed parties with tropical jungle or beach settings. Mediterranean and Asian-style bashes are popular among KL's party crowd. Jalan Sultan Ismail and Jalan P.Ramlee abound with entertainment outlets and pubs that appeal to young professionals and expatriates.

□ KL's Nightspots

Bukit Bintang

- **Frangipani Bar**, Changkat Bukit Bintang
Tel: 03-2144 3001
- **Havana Club**, Changkat Bukit Bintang
Tel: 03-2144 7170
- **La Bodega KL**, Jalan Tingkat Tong Shin
Tel: 03-2142 6368
- **Hemingways**, Changkat Bukit Bintang
Tel: 03-2145 2268
- **Bintang Shack**, Jalan Bukit Bintang
Tel: 03-2142 4009

Jalan P. Ramlee

- **Poppy**, Jalan P. Ramlee
Tel: 03-2141 8888
- **Nouvo & Sangria**, Jalan P. Ramlee
Tel: 03-2161 6666
- **Beach Club**, Jalan P. Ramlee
Tel: 03-2166 9919
- **Grand Modesto's**, Jalan P. Ramlee
Tel: 03-2713 2333
- **Budaba**, Jalan P. Ramlee
Tel: 03-2694 6868

Jalan Sultan Ismail

- **Hard Rock Cafe**, Concorde
Tel: 03-2715 5555
- **12SI**, Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2145 9198
- **Espanda**, Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2142 6666
- **Bar Savanh**, Jalan Doraisamy,
Off Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2697 1180
- **Bar Blonde**, Jalan Doraisamy,
Off Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2691 1088
- **Upstairs Club & Lounge**
Jalan Doraisamy, Off Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2691 5668

Jalan Ampang

- **Zouk**, 113 Jalan Ampang
Tel: 03-2171 1997
- **Saloma Bistro**, Jalan Ampang
Tel: 03-2161 0122

Bangsar

- **The Red Chamber**, 33 Jalan Telawi 3
Tel: 03-2283 1898
- **Barzar**, 33, Jalan Telawi 3
Tel: 03-2283 1898
- **Telawi Street Bistro**, 1, Jalan Telawi 3
Tel: 03-2284 3168
- **Bar Flam**, 16, Jalan Telawi
Tel: 03-2284 6721
- **Absolute Chemistry**, 3, Jalan Telawi
Tel: 03-2282 7242
- **Alexis**, 29A, Jalan Telawi 3
Tel: 03-2284 2880
- **Vintages**, 31, Jalan Telawi 3
Tel: 03-2287 3810
- **Finnegans**, 6, Jalan Telawi 5
Tel: 03-2284 9024
- **La Bodega**, 16, Jalan Telawi 2
Tel: 03-2287 8318
- **The Social**, 57-59, Jalan Telawi 3
Tel: 03-2282 2260

Sri Hartamas / Mont Kiara

- **Basque Lane Mediterranean Restaurant and Bar**, Plaza Mont Kiara
Tel: 03-6201 6028
- **Chinamax**, Jalan Desa Sri Hartamas
Tel: 03-6201 8628
- **Deutsches Bierhaus**
Courtyard, Plaza Mont Kiara
Tel: 03-6201 3268
- **Finnegan's Irish Pub**
Jalan 27/70A, Desa Sri Hartamas
Tel: 03-2300 0538
- **Home & Away**
Jalan 23/70A, Desa Sri Hartamas
Tel: 03-6203 5262



SENSATIONAL SHOPPING

KUALA LUMPUR is a veritable shopping paradise in the region. Avid shoppers will be delighted to discover a wide range of shopping establishments catering to every taste and budget. These include one-stop shopping malls, fashionable department stores, well-stocked duty-free outlets, trendy boutiques and handicraft centres offering products of the finest craftsmanship. The city's 30 over malls provide endless shopping opportunities for locals and foreigners alike. Most of the major malls are conveniently situated near to hotels, convention centres and public transportation facilities. Daily opening hours are from 10am to 10pm with extended hours during sales and festive seasons.

For the adventurous, don't miss the excitement of bargaining at the open-air markets and the casual street shops.

The nationwide Malaysia Mega Sale Carnival, KL GP Sale and the Malaysia Year-End Sale (M-YES) offer a host of exciting bargains and irresistible deals. Take home a unique made-in-Malaysia pewterware, beautiful hand-painted batik and exquisitely crafted gold jewellery.

Major shopping areas in the city are Jalan Bukit Bintang, Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman, Jalan Ampang/Jalan Tun Razak, Bangsar and Jalan Tun H.S.Lee.



BUKIT BINTANG

Bukit Bintang is indisputably the city's foremost shopping district, strategically located in the vicinity of major hotels and chic entertainment outlets. Among the major shopping complexes here are Starhill Gallery, Pavilion Kuala Lumpur, Sungei Wang Plaza, Fahrenheit88, Bukit Bintang Plaza and Lot 10.

□ Starhill Gallery

Adjacent to JW Marriott Hotel, Starhill Gallery is a stylish building with marble flooring and gilded banisters. Covering an area of 280,000 square feet, this upmarket shopping mall was designed by architects and designers from Malaysia, Singapore, Japan, USA, France, Italy, England and Germany. Starhill Gallery has seven themed floors, each featuring a different experience.

Tel: 03-2782 3855

Website: www.starhillgallery.com

□ Pavilion Kuala Lumpur

Spread over 1.3 million square feet, this mall has six precincts, ie. Couture Pavilion, Gourmet Emporium, Centre Court, Connection, Seventh Heaven and Tokyo Street. Each precinct brings you the finest products from around the world. This shopping mall is also the winner of many local and international awards, ranging from recognitions given for its architecture and decorations, to its events and promotions. A not-to-be-missed landmark here is the Liuli Crystal Fountain which has been touted as the tallest in the country by the Malaysia Book of Records.

Tel: 03-2118 8833

Website: www.pavilion-kl.com

□ Sungei Wang Plaza

This perennially popular shopping centre houses more than 500 retail outlets offering an incredible assortment of goods for all budgets. Main attractions here are photography, electronic and electrical equipment, fashion wear and accessories, bags and luggage, footwear, handphones, bric-a-brac, beauty salons and boutiques. Its Fiesta Street offers delicious Italian, American and South African fare. Neighbouring **Low Yat Plaza** and **Imbi Plaza** offer the latest in computer paraphernalia.

Tel: 03-2148 6109

Website: www.sungeiawang.com





□ **Fahrenheit88**

The newest shopping mall in town, Fahrenheit88 offers an exciting shopping experience with a unique mix of funky fashion styles and youth-centric entertainment. Patrons can choose from over 250 outlets across five retail floors and two entertainment floors. Browse through the four hot spots; Fashion Hot Spot, Gadgets Hot Spot, F&B Hot Spot and Entertainment Hot Spot. One of the biggest attractions here is Uniqlo, the internationally-famed fashion brand from Japan. Fahrenheit88 is situated between Lot 10 and Starhill Gallery.

Tel: 03-2148 5488

Website: www.fahrenheit88.com

□ **Bukit Bintang Plaza**

One of KL's oldest shopping centres, Bukit Bintang Plaza still attracts the crowds with its offerings of local and international goods comprising clothes, fashion accessories, footwear, sports goods, electrical equipment, pharmaceutical products, computers and furniture. It is integrated with the adjacent Sungei Wang Plaza.

Tel: 03-2148 7411

□ **Lot 10**

This huge shopping mall with its distinctive green and blue striped façade caters to upmarket shoppers. Visitors will have no problem finding their favourite branded designer items. Isetan is the anchor tenant.

Tel: 03-2141 0500

Website: www.lot10.com.my

Getting there: Take the KL Monorail to the Bukit Bintang Station. Most of the malls are within walking distance.

□ **Berjaya Times Square**

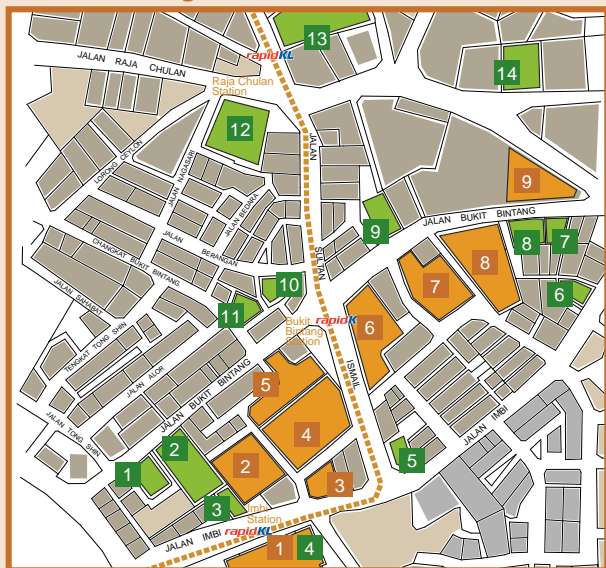
Malaysia's largest shopping mall, sprawled over 3,450,000 square feet, houses over 1,000 retail lots as well as entertainment and dining facilities. Shoppers will be spoilt for choice with merchandise ranging from stylish and chic apparels, accessories, eyewear, footwear, home equipment, IT appliances and many more. Top labels include Debenhams, Swatch, Hush Puppies, Levi's, The Body Shop and Sub & Idx. Don't miss a trip to the Cosmo's World Theme Park, Malaysia's largest indoor theme park. The Imax 2D and 3D theatres here are the largest in Southeast Asia and offer an unforgettable viewing experience. (Refer to Action and Excitement, page 62)

Tel: 1 300 888 988

Website: www.timessquarekl.com

Getting there: For direct access to Berjaya Times Square, take the KL Monorail to the Imbi Station. Alternatively, take the RapidKL LRT to the Hang Tuah Station. The mall is a 5-minute walk away.

□ Bukit Bintang






Shopping Malls

- 1 Berjaya Times Square
- 2 Low Yat Plaza
- 3 Imbi Plaza
- 4 Sungei Wang Plaza
- 5 Bukit Bintang Plaza
- 6 Lot 10
- 7 Fahrenheit88
- 8 Starhill Gallery
- 9 Pavilion Kuala Lumpur
- 10 Maju Junction
- 11 Pertama Complex
- 12 Sogo
- 13 Campbell Complex
- 14 Tang Ling
- 15 Globe Silk Store
- 16 Semua House
- 17 Kamdar
- 18 Mydin Emporium
- 19 Kota Raya
- 20 Pasar Seni (Central Market)

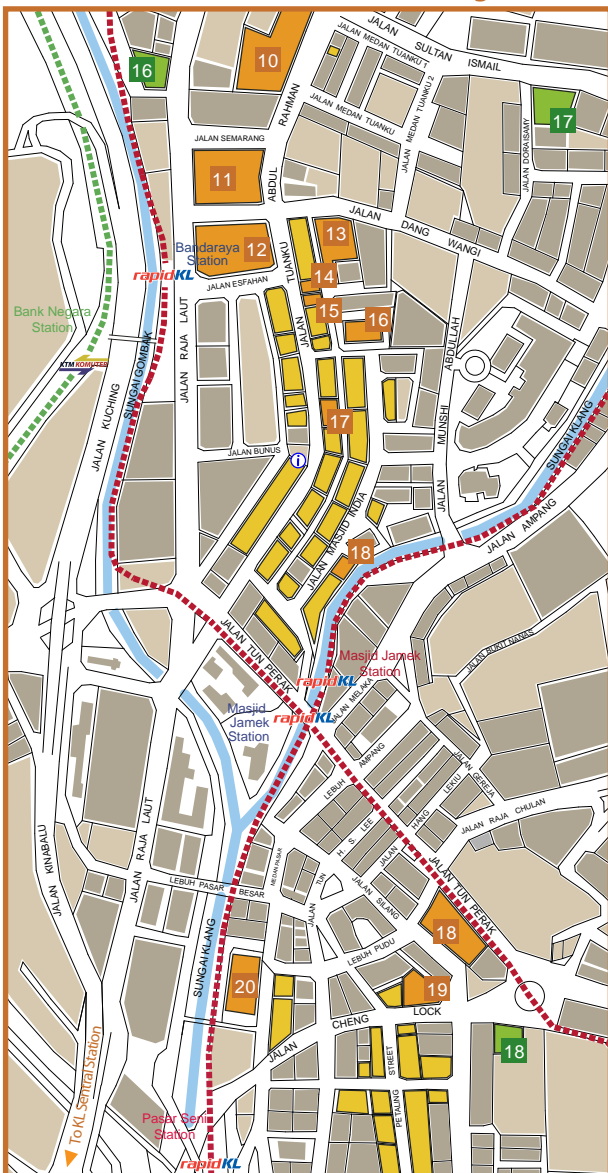
Hotels

- 1 Century
- 2 Federal
- 3 Melia
- 4 Berjaya Times Square
- 5 Grand Plaza Park Royal
- 6 The Ritz Carlton
- 7 Westin
- 8 J.W. Marriott
- 9 Regent
- 10 Fortuna
- 11 Agora
- 12 Istana
- 13 Crowne Plaza Mutiara
- 14 Prince Hotel & Residence
- 15 Quality
- 16 Sheraton Imperial
- 17 Impiana

-  Jalan (Street)
 Sungai (River)
 Tourist Information Centre

-  RapidKL LRT Station
 RapidKL Monorail Station
 KTM Komuter Train Station

□ Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman / Petaling Street



- Shopping Mall
- Shop
- Hotel

JALAN TUANKU ABDUL RAHMAN

This area enjoys a reputation as the grande dame of KL's shopping. The stretch of road here is flanked on both sides by pre-war buildings. The interesting facades have been preserved and re-adapted for modern businesses, mostly retailing. Shops offer a wide range of fabrics & textiles, bags & luggage, carpets, sports goods and winter clothing. The nearby Jalan Masjid India and Lebu Ampang are equally popular among shoppers. Walk through the narrow alleys to hunt for unique buys. A major shopping mall in this area is the Sogo Departmental Store. Other popular shopping complexes such as the Pertama Complex, Globe Silk Store, Kamdar and Tang Ling offer affordable shopping for those on a budget.

□ Sogo

This popular Japanese department store is a big draw among city dwellers for its diverse merchandise, from fashionwear, household items, electrical and electronics, to sports equipment. The store also offers a large selection of Japanese foodstuff.

Tel: 03-2698 2111

Website: www.klsogo.com.my

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Bandaraya Station. There is a pedestrian bridge connecting the station to the mall.

Nearby, the Maju Junction Mall in Jalan Sultan Ismail is another popular shopping centre. It is a 5-minute walk from the Sultan Ismail Monorail Station (RapidKL LRT) and the Medan Tuanku Station (KL Monorail).

□ Jalan Masjid India

KL's 'Little India', teems with a colourful hotch-potch of people and products. The pre-war shophouses sell a profusion of authentic Indian items such as traditional costumes in vibrant hues, Indian delicacies as well as beautifully crafted ornaments and accessories. Nearby, street vendors sell therapeutic massage oils, herbs and roots. Locals flock here for Malay traditional attires and headgear.

Lebu Ampang, situated in the vicinity, is a bustling street with peddlers offering jasmine garlands, aromatic incenses, spices and exotic fragrances.

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Masjid Jamek Station. KL's Little India is a 10-minute walk away.





JALAN AMPANG / JALAN TUN RAZAK

Located within KL's diplomatic enclave, Jalan Ampang and Jalan Tun Razak offer prestigious shopping complexes that feature international names as well as quality local products. Shoppers looking for upmarket merchandise will find it from the numerous outlets here.

□ **Suria KLCC**

Situated within the prestigious Kuala Lumpur City Centre (KLCC), this popular mall houses six floors of retail outlets. Its impressive tenant mix includes Isetan, Parkson Grand and Marks & Spencer. Aseana and

Pucuk Rebung are exclusive outlets offering a remarkable range of unique ethnic-inspired items. Sample the wide variety of cuisine at the Asian Flavours Food Court. Take a break to enjoy the refreshing ambience of the immaculately-landscaped KLCC Park and the spectacular musical fountain display. (Refer to Tropical Enclaves, page 25).

Tel: 03-2382 2828

Website: www.suriaklcc.com.my

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the KLCC Station. This train service takes visitors directly to the premises.



□ **Avenue K**

Situated in the vicinity of Suria KLCC, Avenue K is an upscale mall. Designed by French designer Christian Liaigre, the entire property comprises the Avenue K Shopping and Lifestyle Centre, a luxury hotel, serviced apartments and a condominium tower. Avenue K offers leading designer labels and branded items along with attractions such as a roof garden, an exclusive spa, an international bookstore, a gourmet grocery store as well as trendy cafés and restaurants.

Tel: 03-2168 7888

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the KLCC Station. Visitors can then take the underpass to get to the mall.

□ **Great Eastern Mall**

This mall offers a variety of retail outlets catering to all preferences. Highlights include fashion wear, children's clothes, computer peripherals and a well-stocked supermarket with imported foodstuff.

Tel: 03-4259 8090

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Jelatek Station. The mall is a 10-minute walk away.

□ City Square

Comprising a hotel, office building and shopping complex, City Square caters to the needs of the modern shopper. Within its two million square feet of commercial area is a wide range of shops which include beauty salons, art galleries, exclusive boutiques and travel agencies.

Other shopping complexes in the vicinity are **Ampang Plaza** and **Ampang Park Shopping Complex**.

Tel: 03-2162 1566

Getting there: City Square and other shopping complexes around Jalan Ampang are a short walk away from the Ampang Park Station, served by RapidKL LRT.

□ Sunway Putra Mall, Jalan Putra

Strategically located in the vicinity of the Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC), Seri Pacific Hotel and Sunway Putra Hotel, this mall is a magnet for shoppers. Featuring a high atrium with a cascading glass roof, the mall's ambience makes it a favourite among tourists and locals alike. Visitors can find a wide range of products at its department store, Parkson Grand, as well as find a variety of foodstuff at the Cold Storage hypermarket. Its open-air cafes and delis offer a cosy ambience for diners.

Contact: 03-4042 9508

Website: www.sunwayputramall.com

PETALING STREET / CENTRAL MARKET

Visitors to KL should not miss a trip to this bustling open-air bazaar. **Petaling Street** or **Chinatown** is the place for those who are interested in experiencing the excitement of bargaining for their purchases. Its popular night market is a daily feature. This is a good place to purchase Chinese artefacts and bric-a-brac. Other interesting items include herbs for traditional remedies and fresh flowers. Shops here stock a variety of textiles, clothes, watches, shoes and handbags. Petaling Street is also known for its jewellery shops with their fascinating variety of beautifully crafted gold items set with priceless gemstones.

Pasar Seni or **Central Market** is a bazaar-styled arts and crafts centre offering a wide variety of products created by local artists and craftsmen. You can have your portrait sketched, browse through the souvenirs on display or visit a traditional medicine shop.

Tel: 03-2274 6542

Other shopping centres in the vicinity are **S & M Plaza**, **Mydin Emporium** and **Kota Raya**.

Getting there: Take the RapidKL LRT to the Pasar Seni Station. Central Market is situated just across the road while Chinatown and the other shopping centres are a short walk away.



BANGSAR

Suburban Bangsar has its own shopping facilities that cater to the large expatriate community and local residents. The numerous dining outlets and entertainment spots here make it a popular venue for social gatherings especially in the evenings.

□ Mid Valley City

Located strategically between KL and Petaling Jaya along the Federal Highway, the Mid Valley Megamall is one of the city's premier shopping malls. Its 430 retail outlets and anchor tenants such as Metrojaya, Jusco and Carrefour are well-stocked with a wide range of merchandise. Of interest here are the one-stop IT centre, the Pet Wonderland, Asia's largest cineplex and gym and the mega MPH bookstore. A novelty here is the *feng shui* or Chinese geomancy outlet. Look out for the exciting promotions and activities that take place regularly at the mall's concourse area. Accommodations here are Cititel Mid Valley and Boulevard hotels. The Gardens, situated adjacent to Mid Valley Megamall, is a high-end shopping gallery featuring prestigious brands. The development comprises of office towers and the five-star Gardens Hotel.

Tel: 03-2938 3333

Website: www.midvalley.com.my

Getting there: Take the KTM Komuter train to the Mid Valley Station. The mall is linked to the station via a pedestrian walkway. Alternatively, take the RapidKL LRT to the Bangsar Station. There are regular feeder buses connecting the station to Mid Valley City.

Bangsar Village I and II as well as **Bangsar Shopping Centre** are other shopping malls in the area, offering a wide range of imported foodstuff and other merchandise.

Other shopping malls located on the outer limits of the city and in the neighbouring state of Selangor include One Utama, Ikano Power Centre, The Curve, Pearl Point, Alpha Angle, Subang Parade, Empire Shopping Gallery, Sunway Pyramid, Sunway Giza, Mines Shopping Fair, Tropicana City Mall and Mydin Mall.

POPULAR MALAYSIAN SOUVENIRS

Batik

A versatile fabric with hand-drawn or printed motifs, available in traditional and contemporary styles. Choose from the wide range of batik items, from pareos, sarongs, shirts and dresses. Also available are purses and household items such as cushion covers, place mats and tablecloths that will instantly give a touch of class to your home.



Songket

Malaysian songket is a stunning fabric laced with golden or silver threadwork. This decorative cloth, exclusively used by royalty, is painstakingly handwoven to perfection by skilled artisans. It is available as traditional costumes as well as splendid evening gowns. Take home a piece that is rich with legacy passed through the generations.



Pewterware

Exquisitely crafted pewterware is available as beer tankards, goblets, tea and coffee sets, picture frames, clocks, vases and other decorative items. Popular pewter brands include Royal Selangor, Tumasek and Mariwasa.





□ Woodcarvings

A range of fascinating woodcarvings can be found in the city. These include the aboriginal woodcarvings of the Orang Asli or indigenous people. Also in abundance are woodcarvings from Sabah and Sarawak in East Malaysia.



□ Pottery and Ceramics

These beautifully crafted pieces come mainly from the states of Sarawak and Perak. Sarawak pottery is easily distinguished by their unmistakable ethnic markings and are larger in size. The distinctly shaped *Labu Sayong* from Perak were traditionally used as water receptacles.



□ Weaved Pandanus

Products made from pandanus or woven screwpine leaves make beautiful gifts and souvenirs. They include practical and elegant bags which come in a variety of designs and colours. There are also floor mats, table mats, trinket boxes and gift boxes in attractive contemporary designs.

For more information on popular Malaysian crafts and souvenirs, visit the Karyaneka website at www.malaysiancraft.com

CRAFT AND SOUVENIR OUTLETS

- **Karyaneka Kraf Boutique**
Kuala Lumpur Craft Complex
Jalan Conlay
Tel: 03-2164 2987
- **Karyaneka Kraf Boutique**
BB Plaza
Bukit Bintang
Tel: 03-2144 1519
- **Pucuk Rebung**
Level 3, Suria KLCC
Tel: 03-2282 0769
- **Aseana**
Ground Level
Suria KLCC
Tel: 03-2382 9988
- **Desa**
3rd Floor, Suria KLCC
Tel: 03-2161 2980
- **Royal Selangor**
4, Jalan Usahawan 6
Setapak Jaya
Tel: 03-4145 6122
- **Tumasek Pewter**
16, Jalan Kuang Bulan
Taman Kepong
Tel: 03-6274 1225
- **Mariwasa Pewter**
Maju Junction Mall
Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2698 0418
- **Noor Arfa Batik**
No. 293 & 295, Medan Tuanku
Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman
Tel: 03-2692 4700
- **Batik Bintang**
3rd Floor, Berjaya Times Square
Tel: 03-2144 8368
- **Jadi Batek Centre**
30, Jalan Inai, Off Jalan Imbi
Tel: 03-2145 1133
- **Pesona Batik**
Level 2-1A/B
Putra World Trade Centre
Jalan Tun Ismail
Tel: 03-2697 9740
- **Artrageously Ramsay Ong**
The Art Gallery
43 & 45 Changkat Bukit Bintang
Tel: 03-2141 2566
- **Galeri Wariseni**
Lot 231, Bukit Nanas
Jalan Ampang
- **Kindy International Sdn Bhd**
Malaysia Tourism Centre
Jalan Ampang
Tel: 03-2161 4869 / 4295 9120
- **Ridz Collection & Interior**
Malaysia Tourism Centre
Jalan Ampang
Tel: 03-2166 3558
- **Cantik-Chantik**
Malaysia Tourism Centre
Jalan Ampang
Tel: 03-2166 5057
- **Furcusa Souvenirs & Antiques**
Malaysia Tourism Centre
Jalan Ampang
Tel: 03-2166 3558 / 016-771 1771
- **Tom Abang Saufi Boutique**
Malaysia Tourism Centre
Jalan Ampang
Tel: 03-2164 7381
- **Songket Sutera Asli**
M53, Mezzanine Floor
Central Market
Jalan Hang Kasturi
Tel: 03-2274 2645
- **Wau Tradisi**
M51, Mezzanine Floor,
Central Market
Jalan Hang Kasturi
Tel: 03-2274 1906
- **House of Silver**
G15, Mezzanine Floor
Central Market
Jalan Hang Kasturi
Tel: 03-2274 4457
- **Sabakraf**
M42, Mezzanine Floor
Central Market
Jalan Hang Kasturi
Tel: 03-2273 2728
- **Sarakraf**
M43, Mezzanine Floor
Central Market
Jalan Hang Kasturi
Tel: 03-2273 8868 / 016-212 5921
- **Dodo Art**
Mezzanine Floor
Central Market
Jalan Hang Kasturi
Tel: 03-2274 6421
- **Tuah KTC**
M17, Mezzanine Floor
Central Market
Jalan Hang Kasturi
Tel: 03-2272 2757
- **Cocoa Boutique Outlets**
(Malaysian-made chocolates)

Malaysia Tourism Centre
Jalan Ampang
Tel: 03-2162 2008

Tugu Negara (National Monument)
Tel: 03-2691 8080

Jalan Kamuning
Tel: 03-2141 7010



BAZAARS AND FLEA MARKETS



Laman Seni (Kuala Lumpur Art Market)

Jalan Temerloh, Off Jalan Tun Razak

Organised by the National Art Gallery, Laman Seni is a bazaar held every first Saturday of the month. This is an excellent place to find unique craft items and exquisite handmade souvenirs. (Refer to Treasure Troves, page 35).

Tel: 03-4025 4990

Opening Hours: 8.00am - 5.00pm.

Other bazaars and flea markets in KL are:

BB Park

Jalan Bukit Bintang

Opening Hours: 10.00am - 4.00pm (Every Sunday).

Plaza Mont Kiara

The Courtyard, Plaza Mont Kiara

Tel: 03-6201 2288

Opening Hours: 10.00am - 6.00pm (Every Sunday).

Souk Al-Tar

Maju Junction Mall, Jalan Sultan Ismail

Tel: 03-2772 8536

Opening Hours: 10.00am - 10.00pm daily.



Enjoy Tasty Local Cuisine and Cultural Performances

EATING OUT

ENJOY a profusion of mouth-watering delicacies while dining out in KL. The culinary traditions of the Malays, Chinese and Indians as well as other communities make the city a paradise for food-lovers. The annual Food & Fruits Fiesta is the best time for visitors to savour everything from authentic traditional delicacies, tropical fruits to creative fusion-style recipes. For a novel dining experience, try the array of tempting local fare at the many open-air food courts. Halal food is widely available in the city and there are ample eateries offering vegetarian food. Eating out is convenient as many restaurants are open 24 hours.



MALAY CUISINE



Traditional Malay food is characterised by searingly spicy and aromatic flavours. Rich coconut milk is used to give a creamy texture to the dishes while ingredients such as gingerbuds, pandan leaves and cinnamon render an irresistible fragrance. Popular Malay favourites include *nasi lemak*, *satay* and *rendang*. *Sambal*, a hot paste of pounded chillies, prawn paste and lime juice adds zest to any Malay-style meal. A wide range of sweet and savoury cakes, including the tasty banana fritters are staple tea-time favourites.

CHINESE CUISINE

The many styles of Chinese cooking, ranging from Cantonese, Szechuan, Hokkien and Hainanese add variety to the cuisine. Chinese fare is mostly stir-fried and best savoured when it is piping hot. Extra care is taken to ensure that vegetables are crunchy and retain their original flavour. Lunchtime favourites include rice, served with several meat and vegetable side dishes. Noodles are another versatile and traditional favourite, with the popular styles being fried noodles, soup noodles and curried noodles.





INDIAN CUISINE

Spicy, flavourful and piquant are common descriptions of Indian cuisine. Indian food can be broadly classified into two distinct types, northern and southern Indian. Northern favourites include *biryani* rice and bread varieties such as *naan*. A typical southern meal consists of rice, curry, side dishes and yoghurt served on a banana leaf. All-time favourites such as *thosai*, *chappati* and *poori* are other relishes often enjoyed with coconut, tomato or mint *chutneys*.



MAMAK CUISINE



Of Indian Muslim origin, Mamak fare enjoys tremendous popularity among city folks. Characterised by thick, spicy dishes, the delicacies make excellent meals at any time of the day. Offerings include *murtabak*, *teh tarik*, fish head curry, *nasi kandar* and fried noodles.



INTERNATIONAL CUISINE

Foreign visitors will be pleasantly surprised to discover the abundance of international restaurants and fast food outlets in KL. Restaurants serving Continental, Vietnamese, Korean, Japanese, Thai, Indonesian and Italian cuisine can be found at major hotels and in the vicinity of Jalan Sultan Ismail, Jalan Ampang, Sri Hartamas, Mont Kiara and Bangsar. The Ain Al Arabia or Arab Square in Bukit Bintang offers a host of culinary fare from the Middle East.



MALAYSIA'S TOP TEN FAVOURITES

A visit to Malaysia is incomplete without trying out some of these popular Malaysian dishes.

Nasi Lemak

Enjoy the full-bodied aroma of rice cooked in coconut milk and enhanced with spices such as ginger, star anise and cinnamon. This wholesome dish is usually eaten with fried anchovies, poached eggs, spicy sambal gravy, fresh slices of cucumber, crunchy groundnuts and *rendang*, a thick meat curry. Many Malaysians swear that a plateful of *nasi lemak* is the best way to begin the day.



Satay

This Malaysian signature dish consists of skewered chicken or beef grilled over a charcoal fire. The thick succulent meat is savoured with a tasty peanut dip, rice cubes as well as fresh slices of onion and cucumber.



Teh Tarik

Literally meaning 'stretched tea', the piping hot tea is skilfully pulled from one mug to another, to increase its aroma and cool its temperature. Mixed with evaporated or condensed milk, *teh tarik* is a popular Malaysian drink enjoyed at any time of the day.



Roti Canai

This traditional Malaysian breakfast is a light crispy pancake made from wheat flour. Watch the experts pound, stretch and toss the dough and then cook it to perfection on a griddle. *Roti canai* is best savoured with lentil or chicken curry.



Air Batu Campur (ABC)

This dessert makes an excellent thirst quencher on a hot afternoon. *Air batu campur* or *ais kacang* is a bowl filled to the brim with shaved ice and condiments such as red beans, groundnuts, corn and fruits, sweetened with condensed milk and sugar syrup.

Cendol

This dessert consists of shaved ice and coconut milk, and sweetened with brown sugar syrup. Its main ingredient is the *cendol*, or noodle-like strips made of green bean flour.



Pasembor

A local salad of shredded vegetables with curried squid and deep fried crab served with a spicy, nutty sauce. An alternative is the *rojak buah* or fruit salad mixed in a sauce made of fermented shrimp paste.

Chicken Rice

A hearty rice dish served with roasted, steamed or poached chicken as well as ginger paste, chilli sauce and soy sauce.



Laksa

A unique local noodle soup dish with ingredients such as coconut milk, seafood, bean sprouts, cucumber and spices. Variations include Laksa Penang, Laksa Johor and Laksa Sarawak, each with its own distinct flavour and taste.



Fruits

A wide assortment of tasty and nutritious tropical fruits can be found in supermarkets, stalls and open-air night markets. The *durian* is Malaysia's King of Fruits with a smooth creamy texture and distinct fragrance. Seasonal fruits include *rambutan*, *duku*, mangosteen and *ciku*, while papaya, watermelon and pomelo are other juicy succulent delights available all year round. Fruits such as jackfruit and banana are also made into tasty fritters.

The following is a sampling of Kuala Lumpur's restaurants to begin your culinary adventure:

Malay

- **Seri Melayu Restaurant**
1, Jalan Conlay
Tel: 03-2145 1833
- **Seri Angkasa Revolving Restaurant**
KL Tower, Jalan Puncak
Tel: 03-2020 5055 / 2145 1833
- **Saloma Theatre Restaurant**
Malaysia Tourism Centre
139, Jalan Ampang
Tel: 03-2161 0122
- **Nelayan Seafood Restaurant**
Titiwangsa Lake Gardens
Jalan Temerloh
Tel: 03-4022 8400
- **Bijan**
3, Jalan Ceylon
Tel: 03-2031 3575
- **Verendah Restaurant**
Carcosa Seri Negara
Tel: 03-2282 1888
- **Malay Tea House**
Forest Research Institute of Malaysia (FRIM)
Kepong, Selangor
Tel: 03-6280 3503
- **Malay Tea House**
Central Market (Pasar Seni)
Kuala Lumpur
Tel: 03-6280 3503

Chinese

- **Celestial Court**
Sheraton Imperial Hotel
Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2717 9988
- **Lai Po Hin**
Mandarin Oriental Hotel
Kuala Lumpur City Centre (KLCC)
Tel: 03-2179 8885 / 2380 8888
- **Shang Palace**
Shangri-La Hotel, Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2074 3904 / 2032 2388
- **Si Chuan Dou Hua**
Parkroyal Kuala Lumpur
Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2782 8303
- **Tai Thong Grand Restaurant**
Lot 26, 10074 – 10076 A
Section 46, Jalan Ampang
Tel: 03-2161 9188
- **Toh Lee**
Hotel Nikko, Jalan Ampang
Tel: 03-2782 6128 / 2161 1111

Indian

- **Bombay Palace**
215, Jalan Tun Razak
Tel: 03-2145 4241
- **The Taj**
Federal Hotel
35, Jalan Bukit Bintang
Tel: 03-2148 9166
- **Kohinoor**
1st Floor, CapSquare Centre
Jalan Munsyi Abdullah
Tel: 03-2691 2036
- **Passage Thru' India**
235, Jalan Tun Razak
Tel: 03-2145 0366
- **Chutney Mary Restaurant & Bar**
21-G Jalan Telawi 2
Bangsar
Tel: 03-2282 9923

Nyonya

- **Nyonya Colours**
Lower Ground Floor
The Gardens
Mid Valley City
Tel: 03-2287 0087
- **Precious Old China Restaurant and Bar**
Lot M2, Central Market
Jalan Hang Kasturi
Tel: 03-2273 7372

Vegetarian

- **Annalakshmi**
114 – 116 Temple of Fine Arts
50470 Brickfields
Kuala Lumpur
Tel: 03-2274 3709
- **Mama Sayang Vegetarian Restaurant**
21, Jalan Desa, Off Jalan Klang Lama
Tel: 03-7984 6651
- **Tian Yian Café & Restaurant**
5, 7 & 9, Jalan 3/93,
Taman Miharja, Cheras
Tel: 03-9281 8837

- **Saravana Bhavan**
52, Jalan Maarof, Bangsar
Tel: 03-2287 1228
- **Cameleon Vegetarian Restaurant**
1, Jalan Thamboosamy, Off Jalan Putra
Tel: 03-4042 3526

Fusion

- **Eden Seafood Village**
Lot 1, Chulan Square,
Jalan Raja Chulan
Tel: 03-2141 4027
- **Bon Ton Restaurant**
No. 4, Jalan Ceylon
Tel: 03-2031 3848
- **Kafe Ceylon Hill**
19, Jalan Damai, Off Jalan Tun Razak
Tel: 03-2166 9933
- **Kristao** [Malaysian Portuguese]
56, Jalan Doraisamy
Asian Heritage Row
Tel: 03-2691 8768
- **Cilantro**
Micasa All Suite Hotel
368B, Jalan Ampang
Tel: 03-2179 8000
- **Shook!**
The Feast Floor, Starhill Gallery
Jalan Bukit Bintang
Tel: 03-2719 8535
- **Shrooms**
Lot 139, 1st Floor, Suria KLCC
Tel: 03-2166 5633
- **Spices**
Concorde Hotel, Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2144 2200

Mediterranean

- **Marche**
Renaissance Kuala Lumpur Hotel
Corner of Jalan Ampang &
Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2162 2233
- **Moussandra**
Sub Lot B8, Ground Floor, KL Plaza
Tel: 03-2144 0775

Indonesian

- **House of Sundanese Food**
4.12, Level 4, Suria KLCC
Tel: 03-2166 2272
- **Sari Ratu Restaurant**
GF 42-2, Jalan Sultan Ismail
Bukit Bintang
Tel: 03-2141 1811
- **Rahsia**
[Nyonya, Indonesian, European]
13, Jalan Damai, Off Jalan Tun Razak
Tel: 03-2142 5555

Italian / French

- **Ciao**
428 Jalan Tun Razak
Tel: 03-9285 4827
- **Piccolo Mondo**
GF, Wisma Peladang,
Jalan Bukit Bintang
Tel: 03-2144 7808
- **Santini**
1st Floor, Suria KLCC
Tel: 03-2382 0329
- **Villa Danieli**
Sheraton Imperial Hotel
Tel: 03-2717 9900 / 2717 9922
- **Etoile Bistro**
Hotel Equatorial, Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2160 5532
- **The Dining Room (French)**
Carcosa Seri Negara,
Taman Tasik Perdana
Tel: 03-2282 1888

Japanese / Korean

- **Benkay**
Hotel Nikko, Jalan Ampang
Tel: 03-2161 1111
- **Chikuyo-tei**
2nd Floor, Istana Hotel,
Jalan Raja Chulan
Tel: 03-2141 4328
- **Kampachi**
Hotel Equatorial, Jalan Raja Chulan
Tel: 03-2161 7777
- **Keyaki**
Pan Pacific Hotel, Jalan Putra
Tel: 03-4049 4412
- **Zipangu**
Shangri-La Hotel,
Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2074 3903 / 2032 2388
- **Koryo Won (Korean)**
2nd Floor, Kompleks Antarabangsa
Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2142 4939

Thai / Vietnamese

- **Amarin Heavenly Thai**
Level 2, Centre Court,
Mid Valley Megamall
Tel: 03-2938 3187 / 2938 3333
- **Bangkok Jam**
GL-10, BB Park, Jalan Bukit Bintang
Tel: 03-2142 3449
- **Chakri Palace**
B-OG, 02 Jalan 1/7C
Plaza Mont Kiara,
Off Jalan Bukit Kiara 2
Tel: 03-6203 3770
- **Rama V**
5, Jalan U Thant
Tel: 03-2143 2663
- **Tamarind Hill**
1, Jalan Kerja Air Lama
Ampang
Tel: 03-4256 9100
- **Cochine Lounge & Restaurant (Vietnamese)**
64, Jalan Doraisamy,
Off Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2697 1180

Western

- **De View**
1/F, The Red House,
12, Jalan Kia Peng
Tel: 03-2143 0705
- **San Francisco Steakhouse**
1st Floor, Suria KLCC
Tel: 03-2382 0329
- **American Chilli's**
Bangsar Shopping Centre
Tel: 03-2092 2023
- **TGI Friday**
GF Life Centre, Jalan Sultan Ismail
Tel: 03-2163 7761

Middle East

- **Al Nafourah**
Le Meridien Hotel
Jalan Stesen Sentral
Tel: 03-2263 7888
- **Sahara Tent Restaurant**
Fortuna Hotel
Off Jalan Bukit Bintang
Tel: 03-2144 8310
- **Al Marjan Restaurant**
Lot 415 Level 4 Suria KLCC
Tel: 03-2168 8557
- **Restaurant Bukhara**
1st Floor, Suria KLCC
Tel: 03-2168 8221
- **Tarbush**
LG 16, Starhill Gallery
Jalan Bukit Bintang
Tel: 03-2144 6393



Putrajaya

BEYOND THE CITY

A host of alluring destinations beckon beyond Kuala Lumpur. Most can be visited on a day trip although an overnight stay is best to fully enjoy your visit.



PUTRAJAYA



Visit the nation's new federal administrative capital, just half an hour's drive from the city. Hailed as an intelligent garden city, Putrajaya is famed for its innovative design harmonising nature and development. Attractions include the Perdana Putra administrative building and Seri Perdana, the official residence of the Prime Minister. Both are prominent for their remarkable architectural styles. The striking pink-domed Putra Mosque and Putra Square are other unique attractions. A striking feature of this township is the numerous bridges that span the water bodies, each boasting distinctive designs. Nature lovers will be delighted to explore Putrajaya's Wetland Park and Botanical Gardens.

Website: www.putrajaya.net.my

KUALA SELANGOR FIREFLIES

Visit one of the world's most enthralling natural wonders. The firefly colonies of Kampung Kuantan and Kampung Bukit Belimbing in Kuala Selangor are among the largest in the world. Join a tour to feast your eyes on the spectacular display of fireflies, which live on Berembang trees that grow along Kuala Selangor's riverbanks. For those wanting to spend a night, there are chalets at the Kampung Bukit Belimbing Firefly Park Resort. It is situated about 1½ hours from the city.

Tel: 03-3289 1439 / 3289 7046 (Kampung Kuantan)

Tel: 03-9057 2299 / 3289 1208 (Kampung Bukit Belimbing)

Website: www.fireflypark.com

CAMERON HIGHLANDS



The largest hill resort in the country, situated about four hours' drive from Kuala Lumpur, is a refreshing retreat with majestic hills and undulating valleys. Situated at about 1,524 m above sea level, it is home to sprawling tea plantations, terraced flower gardens, orchards with colourful exotic blooms and lush vegetable farms.

The atmosphere here is cool and calm with picturesque views everywhere. Go on a guided tour of the tea estates and tea processing factories to witness how tea is made and packaged. Visit a strawberry farm and sample delicious homemade jams. The flower nurseries, with their multihued blooms make for great snapshots. Visitors can play a round of golf in a temperate-like ambience. Accommodation in Cameron Highlands include charming cottages and chalets reminiscent of the British era.

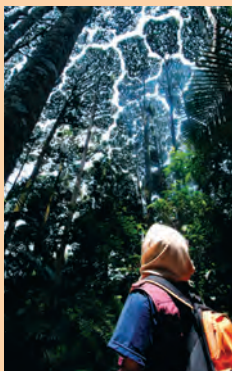
BATU CAVES

This majestic limestone formation lies in the state of Selangor, on the outskirts of the city. Situated within are three big caves, including the main cave which is home to an ancient Hindu temple. This famous destination draws people from all parts of the world during the annual Thaipusam festival. Scale the magnificent 272-step staircase leading up to the cave. Just nearby is the Ramayana Cave, which features wall paintings depicting scenes from Hindu epics.



FOREST RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF MALAYSIA (FRIM)

A national heritage site, FRIM is one of the largest man-made forests in the world. It is home to a wealth of flora and fauna, including herb gardens and nearly 15,000 species of plants. Walk through its arboretums, nature trails or wetland areas to experience nature in its purest state. The park's canopy walkway, suspended 30 metres



above ground level, is a favourite with visitors. On clear days, enjoy a breathtaking view of the city skyline and the surrounding greenery. FRIM has a camping ground, picnic areas, jogging trails and a souvenir shop.

Note: The canopy walkway is open until 1.00pm and is closed on Mondays and Fridays. Guided package tours can be arranged.

Tel: 03-6279 7000

Website: www.frim.gov.my

BERJAYA HILLS



This charming hill resort is located a 1½-hour drive away from Kuala Lumpur, in the state of Pahang. It offers a pleasant family outing amidst a refreshing ambience. The main draw is Colmar Tropicale, a French-themed resort featuring activities such as street performances and outdoor dining. Other attractions include a Japanese Village with a garden, tea house and spa as well as a rabbit park, botanical garden, golf course and an equestrian club.

GENTING HIGHLANDS

Enjoy round-the-clock excitement in this 'City of Entertainment', perched some 1,800 metres above sea level. This world-famous resort boasts a huge indoor and outdoor theme park, an 18-hole golf course, a casino and a host of entertainment outlets. A highlight is the Sky Venture, Asia's only free-fall skydiving simulator. Families can enjoy spectacular performances such as magic shows and ice-skating extravaganzas amidst the cool mountain air. Visitors can drive up to the summit where the main resort is located or take a cable car ride to enjoy a panoramic view of the lush rainforest. The resort is a 1½-hour drive from KL and is easily accessible by shuttle coaches.

Website: www.rwgenting.com



PORT DICKSON

Located just 1½ hours drive from KL, Port Dickson is a popular weekend getaway for locals and foreigners alike. Its 18km stretch of beach overlooking the Straits of Malacca boasts a string of five-star hotels and private bungalows. Enjoy a range of beach and water sports activities here.



MELAKA

Melaka, the historical city of Malaysia traces its origins to the year 1400, when the state was founded by an exiled prince from Sumatera. It gained fame as the trading emporium of the region under the Melaka Sultanate. This colourful destination is a melting-pot of various communities and a veritable treasure trove of the past. Attractions here include monuments of the Portuguese, Dutch and British eras such as the A' Famosa, Stadthuys, St. Paul's Church and St. John's Fort. The state's museums provide glimpses into its glorious past. Enjoy the fascinating sights of Melaka on a trishaw ride. Melaka is situated about two hours drive south of Kuala Lumpur.





Malaysia Tourism Centre

USEFUL INFORMATION

This section provides contact numbers that will be useful to visitors. Further information on KL can also be obtained from the following websites:

www.kualalumpur.gov.my

www.visionkl.com

www.klue.com.my





CONVENTION CENTRES



KL's strategic location in the region, excellent air links, modern infrastructure and state-of-the-art facilities make it an excellent venue for international conventions, exhibitions and events.

Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre

Petronas Twin Towers, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2333 2888
Website: www.klccconventioncentre.com

Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC)

Jalan Tun Ismail, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2614 6999
Website: www.pwtc.com.my

Malaysia International Exhibition & Convention Centre (MIECC)

Mines Resort City, Selangor
Tel : 03-8949 5500
Website: miecc.mines.com.my

Putrajaya International Convention Centre (PICC)

Precinct 5, Putrajaya
Tel : 03-8887 6000
Website: www.picc.com.my

Sunway Pyramid Convention Centre

Bandar Sunway, Selangor
Tel : 03-7492 8135/6
Website: www.sunway.com.my/hotel

Mid Valley Exhibition Centre

Mid Valley City, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2289 8688
Website: www.midvalley.com.my

Wisma MCA

Dewan San Choon,
Jalan Ampang, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2163 7899
Website: www.mca.org.my

Dewan Wawasan Convention & Exhibition Centre

Tower 2, Menara PGRM Cheras
Tel : 03-9289 6888
Website: www.scss.com.my

Asia Pacific Auction Centre

Jalan Lada Hitam 16/12
Shah Alam
Tel : 03-5513 6618
Website: www.apacauctions.com

□ Hotels with Convention Facilities

Berjaya Times Square Hotel

Jalan Imbi, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2117 8000
Website: www.berjahotel.com/kualalumpur

Cititel Mid Valley

Mid Valley City, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2296 1188
Website: www.cititelhotel.com

Concorde Hotel Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Sultan Ismail, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2144 2200
Website: kualalumpur.concordehotelsresorts.com

Corus Hotel

Jalan Ampang, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2161 8888
Website: www.corushotelkl.com

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Tun Razak, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2172 7272
Website: doubletree1.hilton.com

Dorsett Regency Hotel Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Imbi, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2715 1000
Website: www.dorsettregency.com.my

Dynasty Hotel

Jalan Ipoh, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-4043 7777
Website: www.dynasty.com.my

Parkroyal Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Sultan Ismail, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2142 5588
Website: www.kualalumpur.parkroyalhotels.com

Grand Seasons Hotel Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Pahang, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2697 8888
Website: www.grandseasonshotel.com

Hotel Equatorial Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Sultan Ismail, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2161 7777
Website: www.equatorial.com/kul

Hotel Maya

Jalan Ampang, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2711 8866
Website: www.hotelmaya.com.my

InterContinental Kuala Lumpur

165, Jalan Ampang, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2161 1111
Website: intercontinental-kl.com.my

Hotel Istana Kuala Lumpur City Centre

Jalan Raja Chulan, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2141 9988
Website: www.hotelistana.com.my

JW Marriott Hotel

Jalan Bukit Bintang, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2715 9000
Website: www.marriott.com/kuldt

Kuala Lumpur Hilton Hotel

3, Jalan Stesen Sentral, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2264 2264
Website: www.kuala-lumpur.hilton.com

Le Meridien Kuala Lumpur

2, Jalan Stesen Sentral, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2263 7888
Website: www.lemeridienkualalumpur.com

Mandarin Oriental

Kuala Lumpur City Centre, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2179 8818
Website: www.mandarinoriental.com

Melia Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Imbi, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2785 2828
Website: www.meliakualalumpur.com.my

Mutiara Hotel Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Sultan Ismail, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2148 2322
Website: www.mutiarahotels.com

Prince Hotel & Residence Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Conlay, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2170 8888
Website: www.princehotelkl.com

Renaissance Kuala Lumpur Hotel

Corner of Jalan Sultan Ismail &
Jalan Ampang, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2162 2233
Website: www.klrenaissance.com

Shangri-La Hotel

Jalan Sultan Ismail, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2032 2388
Website: www.shangri-la.com

Sheraton Imperial Kuala Lumpur Hotel

Jalan Sultan Ismail, Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2717 9900
Website: www.luxurycollection.com



ACCOMMODATION



KL offers a wide range of accommodation to suit any preference and budget, from international-standard hotels and resorts to budget hotels. In addition, there are serviced apartments and youth hostels for long-staying guests. Most hotels are situated in the vicinity of shopping malls, theme parks or convention centres.

□ Five-Star Hotels

Berjaya Times Square Hotel

No. 1, Jalan Imbi, 55100
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Tel : 03-2117 8000
Fax : 03-2143 2902
Email : btshcc@timesquarekl.com
Website: www.berjayahotel.com/kualalumpur

Seri Pacific Hotel Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Putra
50746 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-4042 5555
Fax : 03-4041 7236
E-mail : resv@seripacific.com
Website: www.seripacific.com

Carcosa Seri Negara

Taman Tasik Perdana, Persiaran Mahameru,
50480 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2295 0888
Fax : 03-2282 7888
E-mail : reservation@carcosa.com.my
Website: www.carcosa.com.my

Crowne Plaza Mutiara Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Sultan Ismail, 50250 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2148 2322
Fax : 03-2144 2157
E-mail : info@cpmkl.com
Website: www.crowneplazakl.com

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Kuala Lumpur

The Intermark
182 Jalan Tun Razak, 50400 Kuala Lumpur
Tel: 03-2172 7272
Fax: 03-2172 7270
E-mail: kuldt_dt_hotel@hilton.com
Website: doubletree1.hilton.com

Grand Millennium Kuala Lumpur

160 Jalan Bukit Bintang
55100 Kuala Lumpur
Tel: 03-2117 4888
Fax: 03-2142 1441
E-mail: reservations@grandmillenniumkl.com
Website: www.grandmillenniumkul.com

Parkroyal Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Sultan Ismail, 50250 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2147 0088
Fax : 03-2147 0099
E-mail : enquiry.prkul@parkroyalhotels.com
Website: www.parkroyalhotels.com/kualalumpur

Hotel Equatorial Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Sultan Ismail, 50250 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2161 7777
Fax : 03-2161 9020
E-mail : info@kul.equatorial.com
Website: www.equatorial.com/kul

Hotel Istana Kuala Lumpur City Centre

73, Jalan Raja Chulan, 50200 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2141 9988
Fax : 03-2144 0111
E-mail : general@hotelistanal.com.my
Website: www.hotelistanal.com.my

Hotel Maya

138 Jalan Ampang, 50450 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2711 8866
Fax : 03-2711 9966
E-mail : info@hotelmaya.com.my
Website: www.hotelmaya.com.my

InterContinental Kuala Lumpur

165, Jalan Ampang, Kuala Lumpur
Tel: 03-2161 1111
Fax: 03-2161 1122
E-mail: info@intercontinental-kl.com.my
Website: intercontinental-kl.com.my

JW Marriott Hotel Kuala Lumpur

183, Jalan Bukit Bintang,
55100 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2715 9000 / 2716 8106
Fax : 03-2715 7000
E-mail : jwmresv@ytlhotels.com.my
Website: www.marriott.com/kuldt

Kuala Lumpur Hilton Hotel

3, Jln Stesen Sentral, Kuala Lumpur Sentral,
50470 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Tel : 03-2264 2264
Fax : 03-2264 2266
Email : kuala-lumpur@hilton.com
Website: www.kuala-lumpur.hilton.com

Le Meridien Kuala Lumpur

2, Jalan Stesen Sentral, Kuala Lumpur Sentral,
50470 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Tel : 03-2263 7888
Fax : 03-2263 7222
E-mail : reservations@lemeridien.com.my
Website: www.lemeridienkualalumpur.com

Mandarin Oriental Kuala Lumpur

Kuala Lumpur City Centre, P.O. Box 100905,
50088 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2179 8818
Fax : 03-2179 8659
E-mail : mokul-sales@mohg.com
http : www.mandarinoriental.com
/kualalumpur

MiCasa All Suite Hotel

368B, Jalan Tun Razak, 50400 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2179 8000
Fax : 03-2161 1186
E-mail : infokul@micasahotel.com
Website: www.micasahotel.com

Pacific Regency Hotel Suites

Menara PanGlobal, Jalan Punchak
Off Jalan P.Ramlee, 50250 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2332 7777
Fax : 03-2031 2492
E-mail : info@pacific-regency.com
Website: www.pacific-regency.com

Renaissance Kuala Lumpur Hotel

Corner of Jalan Sultan Ismail and
Jalan Ampang, P.O. Box 1335,
50450 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2162 2233
Fax : 03-2163 1122
E-mail : sales@renaissance-kul.com
Website: www.klrenaissance.com

Shangri-La Hotel

11, Jalan Sultan Ismail, 50250 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2032 2388
Fax : 03-2070 1514
E-mail : slkl@shangri-la.com
Website: www.shangri-la.com

Sheraton Imperial Kuala Lumpur Hotel

Jalan Sultan Ismail, 50250 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2717 9900
Fax : 03-2717 9999
E-mail : reservations.imperial@
luxurycollections.com
Website: www.luxurycollection.com
/kualalumpur

Sunway Putra Hotel

9th Floor, Sunway Putra Place
100 Jalan Putra, 50350 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-4042 9888
Fax : 03-4043 0700
Toll-free: 1 800 88 3390
Website: sunwayputrahotel.com

The Ritz-Carlton

168, Jalan Imbi, 55100 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2142 8000
Fax : 03-2143 8080
E-mail : ritzkl@ritzkl.po.my
Website: www.ritzcarlton.com/kualalumpur

The Westin Kuala Lumpur

199, Jalan Bukit Bintang Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2731 8333
Fax : 03-2731 8000
E-mail : twkl.reservations@westin.com
Website: www.westin.com/kualalumpur

Four-Star Hotels

Boulevard Hotel

Mid Valley City, Lingkaran Syed Putra,
59200 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Tel : 03-22958000
Fax : 03-22878551
E-mail : infokul@blvhotel.com
Website: www.blvhotel.com

Concorde Hotel Kuala Lumpur

2, Jalan Sultan Ismail, 50250 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2144 2200
Fax : 03-2144 1628
E-mail : kl@concorde.net
Website: kualalumpur.
concordehotelsresorts.com

Corus Hotel Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Ampang, 50450 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2161 8888
Fax : 03-2161 2393
E-mail : enquiries@corushotelkl.com
Website: www.corushotelkl.com

Dorsett Regency Hotel Kuala Lumpur

172, Jalan Imbi, 55100 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2715 1000
Fax : 03-2715 5000
E-mail : reservations.kl@dorsettregency.
com.my
Website: www.dorsettregency.com.my

Dynasty Hotel Kuala Lumpur

218, Jalan Ipoh, 51200 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-4043 7777

Fax : 03-4043 6688

E-mail : resvn@dynasty.com.my

Website: www.dynasty.com.my

The Federal Kuala Lumpur Hotel

35, Jalan Bukit Bintang, 55100 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-21489166

Fax : 03-2148 2877

E-mail : thefederalkualalumpur@gmail.com

Website: www.federalkualalumpur.com

Grand Seasons Hotel Kuala Lumpur

72, Jalan Pahang (Opposite IMR),

53000 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-2697 8888

Fax : 03-2691 3333 / 2698 5888

E-mail : maxcarry@tm.net.my

Website: www.grandseasonshotel.com

Melia Kuala Lumpur

16, Jalan Imbi, 55100 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-2785 2828

Fax : 03-2785 2818

E-mail : melia.kuala.lumpur@solmelia.com

Website: www.meliakualalumpur.com.my

The Royale Bintang Kuala Lumpur

17 – 21 Jalan Bukit Bintang

55100 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-2143 9898

Fax : 03-2142 1807

E-mail : enquiries@royale-bintang-hotel.com.my

Website: www.royale-bintang-hotel.com.my/rbkl

Swiss-Garden Hotel & Residences Kuala Lumpur

117, Jalan Pudu, 55100 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-2141 3333

Fax : 03-2141 5555

E-mail : resvns_sghkl@swissgarden.com

Website: www.swissgarden.com

The Coronade Hotel Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Walter Grenier, 55100 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-2148 6888

Fax : 03-2142 5359

E-mail : reservation@coronadekl.com.my

Website: www.coronade.com

Traders Hotel

Kuala Lumpur City Centre

50088 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-2332 9888

Fax : 03-2332 2666

E-mail : thkl@shangri-la.com

Website: www.shangri-la.com

Vistana Kuala Lumpur

9, Jalan Lumut, Off Jalan Ipoh,

50400 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-4042 8000

Fax : 03-4041 1400

E-mail : visklweb@ytlhotels.com.my

Website: www.vistanahotels.com/vkl

Three-Star Hotels

Cititel Express

449, Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman

50100 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-2691 9833

Fax : 03-2691 3103

E-mail : infokul@cititalexpress.com

Website : www.cititalexpress.com

Cititel Mid Valley

Mid Valley City, Lingkaran Syed Putra,

59200 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-2296 1188 / 2296 1111

Fax : 03-2283 5551

E-mail : info@cititelmidvalley.com

Website: www.cititelmidvalley.com

Citrus Hotel Kuala Lumpur

51 Jalan Tiong Nam

Off Jalan Raja Laut

50350 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-9195 9999

Fax : 03-9195 9988

E-mail : enquiry@citrushotelkl.com

Website: www.citrushotelkl.com

City Villa Kuala Lumpur

69, Jalan Hj. Hussein, Off Jalan Tuanku

Abdul Rahman, 50300 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-2692 6077

Fax : 03-2692 7734

E-mail : mayorsale@holidayvilla.com.my

Website: www.hotelcityvilla.com

Hotel Grand Continental

No. 2, Jalan Belia, Off Jalan Raja Laut,

50350 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-2693 9333

Fax : 03-2698 3815

E-mail : klres@ghihotels.com.my

Website: www.ghihotels.com.my

Olympic Sports Hotel Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Hang Jebat, 50150 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-2078 7888

Fax : 03-2078 1488

E-mail : reservation@olympichotelkl.com.my

Website: www.olympichotelkl.com.my

Hotel Malaya Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Hang Lekir, 50000 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-2072 7722

Fax : 03-2070 0980

E-mail : info@hotelmalaya.com.my

Website: www.hotelmalaya.com.my

Hotel Maluri

No. 1, Jalan Permaisuri, Taman Maluri,

Cheras, 55100 Kuala Lumpur

Tel : 03-9287 8833

Fax : 03-9287 7733

E-mail : enquiry@hotelmaluri.com

Website: www.hotelmaluri.com

Midah Hotel Kuala Lumpur

8, Jalan Kampung Attap,
50460 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2273 9999
Fax : 03-2273 9199
E-mail : info@midahhotelkl.com
Website: www.midahhotelkl.com

Hotel Nova Kuala Lumpur

16 - 22 Jalan Alor, 50200 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2143 1818
Fax : 03-2142 9985
E-mail : novahtl@tm.net.my
Website: www.novahtl.com

Kuala Lumpur International Hotel

No. 79, Lorong Haji Hussein 2, Off Jalan Raja
Muda Abd. Aziz, 50730 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2697 8833
Fax : 03-2698 3145
E-mail : www.klitel.com.my

Quality Hotel City Centre

Jalan Raja Laut, P.O. Box 11586,
50750 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2693 9233
Fax : 03-2693 9634
E-mail : qhcc@tm.net.my
Website: www.quality.com.my

The Plaza Hotel Kuala Lumpur

Jalan Raja Laut, 50350 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2698 2255
Fax : 03-2692 0959 / 2692 9822
E-mail : plazakl@po.jaring.my
Website: www.plazahotelkl.com

❑ No-frills Hotel

Tune Hotels.com

316 Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman
50100 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-7962 5888
Fax : 03-7955 5899
E-mail : enquiry@tunehotels.com
Website: www.tunehotels.com



❑ Budget Hotels

Agora Hotel

106 - 110 Jalan Bukit Bintang,
55100 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2142 8133
Fax : 03-2142 7815
E-mail : info@agorahotel.com.my
Website: www.agorahotel.com.my

First Business Inn

72, Jalan Dato Haji Eusoff,
Damai Kompleks, 50400 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-4043 3399
Fax : 03-4043 1316
E-mail : fbinn@streamyx.com
Website: www.firstbusinessinn.com

Hotel Fortuna Kuala Lumpur

87, Jalan Berangan, Off Jalan Bukit Bintang,
50200 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2141 9111
Fax : 03-2141 8237
E-mail : fortuna@tm.net.my
Website: www.fortunakl.com

Grand Pacific Hotel Kuala Lumpur

No. 52 - 56, Jalan Tun Ismail,
50480 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-4042 2177
Fax : 03-4042 6078
E-mail : gphotel@po.jaring.my
Website: www.grandpacifichotel.com.my

Mirama Hotel Kuala Lumpur

No. 95, Jalan Maharajalela,
50150 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-2148 9122
Fax : 03-2142 1305
E-mail : enquiry@miramahotel.com.my
Website: www.miramahotel.com.my

Wira Hotel Kuala Lumpur

123, Jalan Thamboosamy, Off Jalan Putra,
50350 Kuala Lumpur
Tel : 03-4042 3333
Fax : 03-4042 2833
E-mail : sales@wirahotel.com.my
Website: www.wirahotel.com.my

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www.malysiabudgethotel.com*





GETTING THERE

The state-of-the-art Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA) is the main gateway into the country and services over 45 international airlines. The city is situated about 55km from KLIA. Several public transport options provide easy access to the city. Kuala Lumpur is also accessible from Port Klang, the country's largest seaport, 41 km away. An excellent road and railway network links Kuala Lumpur to Thailand in the north and Singapore in the south.



□ **KL Sentral**

Tel: 03-2279 8699

Website: www.klsentral.com.my

This is the city's modern transportation hub, converging various modes of transportation, including train services within the city, around Malaysia as well as a high-speed rail link to KLIA. The KL City Air Terminal (KL CAT) here offers departing travellers the convenience of flight and baggage check-in facilities for Malaysia Airlines, Cathay Pacific and Royal Brunei Airlines. Baggage check-ins must be done at least two hours before flight departures. The adjacent Hilton and Le Meridian hotels provide international-standard accommodation for overnight travellers.

□ **KLIA Ekspres / KLIA Transit**

Tel: 03-2267 8000

Website: www.kliaekspres.com

The KLIA Ekspres and KLIA Transit (also known as Express Rail Link or ERL) are the fastest modes of transport connecting the airport to the KL Sentral Station, the main transportation hub in the city. KLIA Ekspres offers a non-stop 28-minute ride from the airport to KL Sentral. It departs every 15 minutes during peak hours (5.00am - 9.00am, 4.00pm - 10.00pm) and every 20 minutes during off-peak times (9.00am - 4.00pm, 10.00pm - 12.00am). The fare is RM35.

The KLIA Transit departs every 30 minutes and stops en route at Bandar Tasik Selatan, Putrajaya/Cyberjaya and Salak Tinggi. The journey to the airport takes 36 minutes and the fare is RM35.

KLIA Transit is linked to the KTM Komuter and STAR LRT services at the Bandar Tasik Selatan Station.

❑ Low Cost Carrier Terminal (LCCT)

Tel: 03-8777 6777

The budget carrier AirAsia operates from the Low Cost Carrier Terminal or LCCT situated 20km away from the KLIA Main Terminal Building. Visitors can get to the city via pre-paid taxis or scheduled coach services that ply between LCCT and KL Sentral Station. The coach service begins at 4.45am from LCCT and ends at 12.45am. From KL Sentral, the coach service begins at 3.15am and operates until 10.30pm.

❑ KLIA Airport Limo

Tel: 03-8787 3030 / 9223 8080

Website: www.klia.com.my

Airport limousine taxis are available at the Arrival Hall on Level 3 of KLIA. These taxis offer pick-up and transfer services using a prepaid coupon system. Travel time to the city takes between 45 minutes to an hour. Fares differ according to the zone and type of taxi (budget or premier). A surcharge will be imposed for transfers between midnight to 6.00am.

❑ Airport Coach

The airport coach provides scheduled services to the KL Sentral Station in the city. The bus station is situated at the Ground Floor of the Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA), below the car park.

Coaches from KLIA are available from 6.30am to 12.00 midnight. From KL Sentral, coaches are available from 5.00am to 10.30pm. Travel time to the airport takes about 1½ hours, depending on traffic conditions.

Fare: RM10

Tel: 03-8787 3894

(Airport Coach Office, KLIA)

Website: www.airportcoach.com.my

❑ Car Rental

Car rental services are available both at the airport and at KL Sentral. The Kuala Lumpur - Seremban Highway is the main route into the city. The drive takes about one hour or less, depending on traffic conditions.

(Refer to Useful Contacts, page 112)





GETTING AROUND

Getting around the city is convenient and affordable. KL Sentral, the city's modern transportation hub, provides a comprehensive network of train, bus and taxi services.

□ Buses

Tel: 03-7885 2585

Website: www.myrapid.com.my

Pudu Sentral

The newly renovated and upgraded Puduraya Bus Terminal or Pudu Sentral is the point of entry or departure for north-bound buses.

Destinations include Penang, Kedah, Perak and Hadyai in Southern Thailand. Other destinations are Cameron Highlands and Genting Highlands. Taxi service (operated with a coupon system) is available at the 1st Floor. Facilities include restaurants, restrooms, moneychanger, storage, information counters and Muslim prayer rooms.

Bandar Tasik Selatan

Integrated South Terminal

Terminal Bersepadu Selatan Bandar Tasik Selatan or TBSBTS is the new gateway for buses which head south of Kuala Lumpur. Destinations include Johor and Melaka. This terminal is integrated with other modes of transport such as trains (KLIA Transit, KTM Komuter and RapidKL LRT) as well as taxis.

□ Trains

An extensive rail transport system links the major parts of the city. The three services available are Putra and STAR Light Rail Transits (LRT), KL Monorail and KTM Komuter. These services are frequent, punctual and hassle-free. Feeder

bus services are available from train stations to designated surrounding areas. Weekly and monthly passes are available for frequent travellers. All lines, except STAR LRT converge at the KL Sentral Station.

Light Rail Transit (LRT)

Tel: 03-7885 2585

Website: www.myrapid.com.my

Kelana Jaya Line (Formerly known as PUTRAline)

The 29km-long Kelana Jaya Line is the world's second longest fully-automated driverless metro system. It is also the longest self-powered metro in Asia. It stretches from the Putra Terminal in Gombak to the Kelana Jaya Terminal in Petaling Jaya. It serves 24 stations.

Ampang Line

(Formerly known as STARline)

Unlike the Kelana Jaya Line, the Ampang Line is operated by a driver. The network covers 27km. It has two routes, known as the Ampang and Seri Petaling routes. Together, the two routes serve 25 stations. The areas covered include the city centre, Ampang, Sentul and Bukit Jalil.

LRT trains operate from 6am to 11.45pm at 3 to 5-minute intervals during peak hours and 5 to 8-minute intervals during non-peak hours. Interchange between the two lines is at the Masjid Jamek Station. All LRT stations are linked with the surrounding townships and shopping malls by feeder buses.



KL Hop-On Hop-Off

Coach Tours

Tel: 03-2691 1382

Website: www.myhoponhopoff.com

Tickets:

Standard Adult Ticket

RM38 (Valid for 24 hours)

RM65 (Valid for 48 hours)

Malaysia's only semi-glass roofed coach takes visitors to 40 places of interest in the city. Visitors can enjoy the sights at their own leisure – either stay on-board for the full circuit, or hop on and off at any of the 22 designated stops. The tours come equipped with on-board commentary in nine languages. Available from 8.30am to 8.30pm daily. Tickets can be purchased on the bus, at authorised agents or via the Internet.

Places of interest include:

- Aquaria KLCC
 - Jalan Bukit Bintang
 - Berjaya Times Square
 - KL Lake Gardens
 - National Mosque
 - KL Tower
- (Visit the website for a full list).

“Discover Kuala Lumpur (DKL)” Transit Tours

Calling all transit passengers – enjoy a quick tour of the Kuala Lumpur city while awaiting your flight! Passengers with more than four hours to spare in the Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA) can head to the Transit Tour Counter situated at the Satellite Building to book their tours. Visitors can choose

either a free-and-easy tour or a guided tour. Upon making your payment, hop on the high-speed KLIA Ekspres train (refer to page 104) for a non-stop 28-minute ride to the KL Sentral Station where your tour begins.

- **Free-and-easy tour**
Upon arriving at the KL Sentral Station (a transportation hub which integrates various modes of transport such as rail and bus), visitors can proceed to explore the city at their leisure. Use the booklet given as a guide to get around.
- **Guided tour**
Upon arriving at the KL Sentral Station, visitors will be met by a representative who will take them around. Return transfer to the KL Sentral Station will also be arranged.

KL Monorail

Tel: 03-7885 2585

Website: www.myrapid.com.my

KL Monorail runs 8.6km with two parallel elevated tracks and serves 11 stations. It connects KL Sentral with major hotels and shopping malls in the city. Operating hours are between 6.00am to 12.00 midnight daily. During peak hours, trains arrive at 5-minute intervals and at 6 to 10-minute intervals during non-peak hours. The starting point of KL Monorail is situated about 100 metres away from the KL Sentral Station.

KTM Komuter

Tel: 03-2267 1200

Website: www.ktmb.com.my /
www.ktmkomuter.com.my

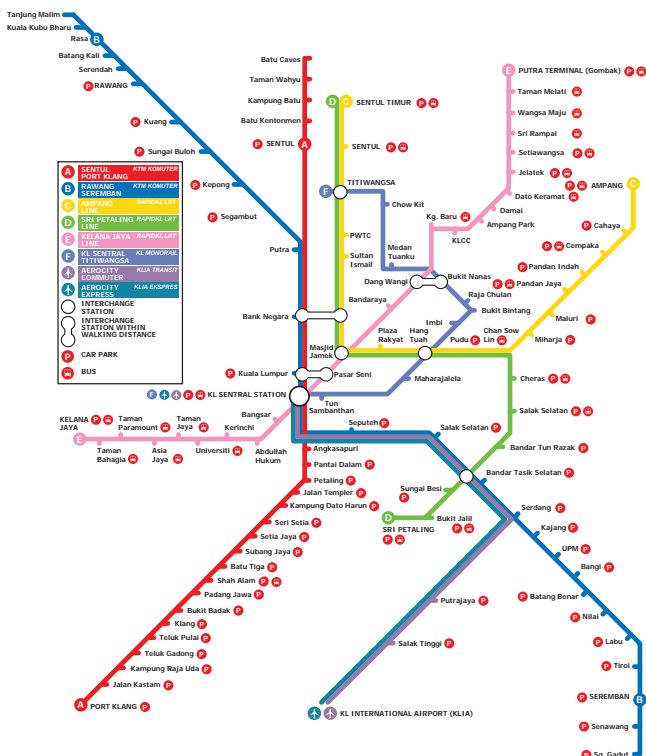
KTM Komuter consists of two lines, Sentul – Port Klang and Rawang – Seremban. Services are available from 5.48am to midnight daily. Trains operate at 15-minute intervals during peak hours and 20-minute intervals during non-peak hours.

Taxis

In Kuala Lumpur, taxi fares are based on a metered rate and are available 24 hours a day. The flag-off rate is RM3.00.

For further information on KL's public transportation system, visit the Rapid KL website at www.rapidkl.com.my.

Rail Transit System in Kuala Lumpur



□ City Tours

These are only sample itineraries. Places visited may vary according to packages offered by different tour operators. For further information on tours, please call the Tourist Information Centres (Refer to page 118).

Kuala Lumpur City Tour

Take in KL's blend of garden city charm, old-world Moorish architecture and other famous landmarks of this vibrant, modern capital of Malaysia. Interesting sights include the Petronas Twin Towers, Sultan Abdul Samad Building, Merdeka Square, Jamek Mosque, Lake Gardens, Parliament House, National Monument, Railway Station, King's Palace and a handicraft centre.

Kuala Lumpur Countryside Tour

A trip to the eastern suburbs of the city to observe the local way of life and traditional cottage industries. Admire the skills of the artisans at the renowned Royal Selangor Pewter factory, also see how batik is made and shop for beautiful souvenirs. Culminate the tour with a climb up the 272 steps of the magnificent Batu Caves, the famous site of the annual Hindu Thaipusam festival.

City Parks and Garden Tours

KL not only boasts tall skyscrapers and historical buildings, but also immaculately landscaped gardens and parks right in the city centre. This tour is a must for nature lovers as it covers popular attractions within KL Lake Gardens including the Bird Park, Orchid and Hibiscus Gardens and Butterfly Park.

Kuala Lumpur Islamic Tour

Admire the architectural beauty of the Islamic Arts Museum, the only one of its kind in the Asia-Pacific region. Be astounded with the many priceless artefacts that reflect Islamic art and civilisation. Lunch at the Dome restaurant followed by souvenir shopping and prayers at the National Mosque for Muslims. Stop over at the International Institute of Islamic Thought and Civilisation (ISTAC), drive pass the Moorish inspired KL Railway Station, Sultan Abdul Samad Building and join a guided walking tour of the Masjid Jamek, the city's oldest mosque with a shopping stop in Jalan Melayu / Masjid India, KL's Indian Muslim quarter.

Kuala Lumpur Cultural Night Tour

This after-dusk outing in the 'Garden City of Lights' provides the uninitiated an opportunity to experience Malaysia's colourful potpourri of cultures. Feel the mystical aura of the ornate Sri Maha Mariamman Temple, KL's oldest Hindu temple. Join in the excitement of bargaining for an assortment of merchandise at the open-air night market in Chinatown. Enjoy a sumptuous Malay buffet dinner and be entertained by traditional Malay dances.

□ Beyond the City

Kuala Selangor Fireflies

Pass through vast tracts of rubber, oil palm plantations and rustic Malay villages. Explore the ancient Dutch fortress atop Bukit Melawati and enjoy a panoramic view of the estuary of the Selangor River, the coastline and the adjacent Nature Park, a popular bird-watching sanctuary. Proceed to a local restaurant for a delicious seafood dinner before embarking to Kampung Kuantan for the short boat ride to witness the spectacle of thousands of fireflies lighting up the trees along the river banks.

Templer Park Tour

A rendezvous with nature amidst the lush greenery of the 1,214-hectare Templer Park forest reserve. Located 21 km north of Kuala Lumpur, this 'green lung' is a great spot for photography, bird-watching, jungle trekking, swimming or pure relaxation as it abounds with tropical flora and fauna, rushing waterfalls and mountain streams.

Pulau Ketam (Crab Island) Tour

An outing to Pulau Ketam, a fishing settlement built on stilts off the coast of Selangor. The journey commences with a one-hour drive to Port Klang, the country's leading port, followed by a 70-minute ferry ride to the island. Enjoy a view of the port while the ferry meanders through mangrove swamps, a habitat for local and migratory birds. Observe the unique way of life of the fisherfolk and their economic activities. A sumptuous seafood lunch is served before the return journey to Kuala Lumpur. En route, stop over at the magnificent Sultan Salahuddin Abdul Aziz Shah Mosque (the 'Blue Mosque') in Shah Alam, the beautiful capital of Selangor.

Banghuris Homestay Programme

Stay with a family in a traditional Malay kampung (village) and experience the local lifestyle. Located a leisurely 20-minute drive from KL International Airport (KLIA) and one hour from the city centre. Mingle with the friendly local people, take a boat ride to a mangrove swamp and riverine fishing community. Visit the agricultural farm, plantations and cottage industries at Ulu Chuchoh.

A Day at the Rainforest

Explore the wonders and beauty of a tropical rainforest in the vicinity of Kuala Lumpur. Tour commences with a visit to the Orang Asli (aboriginal) Museum on the outskirts of the city and then to the Jungle Lodge, a short distance away for an educational trek through the enchanting rainforest. Take a refreshing dip at the waterfalls before returning to the Lodge for lunch and the trip back to the city.

Genting Highlands Tour

A refreshing getaway amidst the cool, crisp mountain air of the Genting Highlands. Provides a fun-filled day for all in the family. Enjoy splendid mountain scenery and a stop at the fascinating Chin Swee Temple en route to the summit, 6,000 feet above sea level. A host of gaming facilities await visitors at the casino. Don't miss the exiting rides at the indoor and outdoor theme parks in this 'City of Entertainment'.

Cameron Highlands Tour

A refreshing retreat to Malaysia's premier hill resort, famous for its rolling tea plantations and vegetable farms. Nestling at 1,524 metres above sea level in the northwest corner of Pahang, the resort is accessible from Kuala Lumpur via the town of Tapah in Perak. The drive up the highlands passes through lush jungle greenery. Half-day tour of the highlands takes in a tea plantation and tea factory. (Package includes coach transfer - Kuala Lumpur/ Cameron Highlands/ Kuala Lumpur and breakfast at hotels)

Melaka Historical City Tour

A popular day excursion to the historical city of Melaka, a 2 ½-hour drive from Kuala Lumpur. En route pass by oil palm plantations, rubber estates and Malay villages. Melaka's famous attractions such as the Cultural Museum, A' Famosa, Stadthuys, Christ Church, Cheng Hoon Teng Temple and Jonker Street provide insights into the glorious past of the Malay Sultanate and the Portuguese, Dutch and British eras. Lunch is included.



USEFUL CONTACTS

Tourist Information Centres

KL Sentral Station (KL Sentral)

2nd Floor, Arrival Hall
Kuala Lumpur City Air Terminal
KL Sentral Station
50050 Kuala Lumpur
Tel: 03-2272 5823

Malaysia Tourism Centre (MATIC)

109 Jalan Ampang
50450 Kuala Lumpur
Tel: 03-9235 4848 / 4900

Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA)

Visitor Service Centre
International Arrival Hall
Kuala Lumpur International Airport
64000 Sepang, Selangor
Tel: 03-8776 5647 / 5651

Low Cost Carrier Terminal (LCCT)

International Arrival Hall
LCC Terminal – KLIA
S3, Southern Support Zone
64000 KLIA Sepang, Selangor
Tel: 03-8775 2518

Emergency Numbers

- Police / Ambulance / Fire & Rescue - Tel: 999
- KL Tourist Police - Tel: 03-2163 4422

General Enquiries

- Telekom Malaysia Directory Services
Tel: 103
- Telekom Malaysia Operator Assisted Calls (Domestic & International)
Tel: 101
- Malaysian Immigration Department
Tel: 03-8880 1000
Website: www.imi.gov.my
- Royal Malaysian Customs
Tel: 03-8882 2100
Website: www.customs.gov.my

Information Counters at Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA)

- The Main Terminal Building (MTB)
Tel: 03-8776 4386 / 4389
- The Contact Pier (CP)
Tel: 03-8776 0219
- The Satellite Building (SAT)
Tel: 03-8776 2454

Airlines

- Malaysia Airlines
Infoline: 1-300-88-3000 / 03-7843 3000
- Firefly - Tel: 03-7845 4543
- AirAsia - Tel: 03-600 85 9999
- Berjaya Air - Tel: 03-7847 6828
- Singapore Airlines - Tel: 03-2692 3122
- Cathay Pacific - Tel: 03-2035 2777
- Thai Airways - Tel: 03-2034 6999
- Garuda Indonesia - Tel: 03-2162 2811
- China Airlines - Tel: 03-2142 7344
- British Airways - Tel: 03-2167 6006
- Air India - Tel: 03-2142 0166
- Emirates - Tel: 03-2058 5888
- Royal Brunei - Tel: 03-2070 6628

Embassies

- Arab Saudi - Tel: 03-4257 9433
- Australia - Tel: 03-2146 5555
- Britain - Tel: 03-2170 2200
- Canada - Tel: 03-2718 3333
- China - Tel: 03-2142 8495 / 2141 1729
- France - Tel: 03-2053 5500
- Germany - Tel: 03-2170 9666
- India - Tel: 03-2093 3509 / 3504
- Indonesia - Tel: 03-2116 4000
- Italy - Tel: 03-4256 5122
- Japan - Tel: 03-2142 7044
- New Zealand - Tel: 03-2078 2533
- Singapore - Tel: 03-2161 6277
- Spain - Tel: 03-2142 8776
- Thailand - Tel: 03-2148 8222
- United States - Tel: 03-2168 5000

Taxis

- KLIA Airport Limo Service (Booking Centre) - Tel: 03-9223 8080
- Airport Limo (Counter) - Tel: 03-8787 3678
- Comfort Taxi - Tel: 03-8024 2727
- Public Cab - Tel: 03-6259 2020
- Radio Cab - Tel: 03-9221 7600
- Sunlight - Tel: 03-9057 5757
- KL Taxi - Tel: 03-9221 4241
- Supercab - Tel: 03-7805 5333
- MK Taxi - Tel: 03-4256 6188

Car Rental Agencies

- Apex Rent A Car - Tel: 03-2142 1926
- Avis Rent A Car - Tel: 03-7628 2317 / 2318 / 2319
- Enesty Hire & Drive - Tel: 03-7984 7535
- Hawk Rent A Car - Tel: 03-5631 6488
- Hertz Rent A Car - Tel: 03-2148 6433
- Insas Pacific Rent A Car - Tel: 03-2287 4118/9
- Mayflower Car Rental - Tel: 03-6253 1888
- Sintat Rent A Car - Tel: 03-2145 7988
- SMAS Rent A Car - Tel: 03-2148 1199
- Thrifty Rent A Car - Tel: 03-2070 2591
- Zalmas Limousine - Tel: 03-2692 6000 / 2617 1600



MALAYSIA AT A GLANCE

Country The Federation of Malaysia comprises Peninsular Malaysia which is made up of 11 states, three Federal Territories as well as the states of Sabah and Sarawak situated in Borneo.

Capital City The capital city of Malaysia is Kuala Lumpur.

Geographical Location Located between 2 and 7 degrees north of the Equator, Peninsular Malaysia is separated from the states of Sabah and Sarawak by the South China Sea. To the north of Peninsular Malaysia is Thailand while its southern neighbour is Singapore. Sabah and Sarawak share a common border with Indonesia while Sarawak also shares a border with Brunei Darussalam.

Area 329,758 sq km

Population 28 million

People Malays make up about 57% of the population and are the predominant group with Chinese, Indians and other ethnic groups making up the rest.

Language Bahasa Malaysia (Malay) is the national language but English is widely spoken. Malaysians also speak various languages and dialects.

Religion

Islam is the official religion but all other religions are practiced freely.

Government Malaysia practices parliamentary democracy and constitutional monarchy. The Head of State is the Yang di-Pertuan Agong and the Head of Government is the Prime Minister. The country has a bicameral legislative system.

Climate Malaysia has a tropical climate and the weather is warm all year around. Temperatures range from 21°C to 32°C and the annual rainfall varies from 2,000mm to 2,500mm.

Economic Profile Manufacturing constitutes the largest component of Malaysia's economy while tourism and primary commodities such as petroleum, palm oil, natural rubber and timber are major contributors to its economy.

Entry Requirements Visitors must be in possession of a valid passport or travel document with a minimum validity of six months beyond the intended visiting period. Citizens of most countries do not require visas for social or business visits. For further information, please visit or call the nearest Malaysian diplomatic mission or Tourism Malaysia office.

Currency The unit of currency is the Malaysian Ringgit, which is indicated as RM. Foreign currencies can be converted at banks and money changers.

Banking Hours In most states, banking hours are from 9.30am to 4.00pm from Monday to Friday. Banks in the states of Kedah, Kelantan and Terengganu operate from 9.30am to 4.00pm from Saturday to Wednesday.

Post Offices Post offices are open from 8.00am to 5.00pm daily except on Sundays and public holidays. In Kedah, Kelantan & Terengganu, they are closed on Fridays and public holidays.

Working Days Government offices in all states, with the exception of Kedah, Kelantan and Terengganu, operate on a five-day week from Monday to Friday. Some private establishments are open for half a day on Saturday. Government offices in Kedah, Kelantan and Terengganu are open from Sunday to Thursday. They are closed on Friday and Saturday.

Time The standard Malaysian time is eight hours ahead of GMT and 16 hours ahead of the U.S. Pacific Standard Time.

Electricity The voltage used throughout Malaysia is 220-240 volts AC, at 50 cycles per second. Standard 3-pin square plugs and sockets are used.

Measurement System Malaysia uses the metric system.

Telecommunications Malaysia is linked nationally and internationally by telephone, facsimile, telegraph and via the Internet. Most hotels provide International Direct Dial (IDD) telephone services.

Getting to Malaysia The main gateway to Malaysia is through the new Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA) at Sepang, which is located approximately 50km south of Kuala Lumpur. Other major international airports that serve as entry points are situated in Penang, Johor Bahru, Kuching, Kota Kinabalu and the island of Langkawi. Malaysia has two Low Cost Carrier Terminals (LCCT), which are situated in Sepang and Kota Kinabalu. Over 40 international airlines fly into the country while the national carrier, Malaysia Airlines, has a global network that spans six continents. It is complemented by the budget airline AirAsia. The main entry point by sea is at Port Klang, about 50km away from Kuala Lumpur. Malaysia is also accessible by rail and road from Singapore and Thailand.

Getting Around Malaysia has excellent domestic air links serviced by Malaysia Airlines and low-cost carriers such as AirAsia and Firefly. The country has a well-developed and efficient public transportation system served by buses, taxis as well as trains.

Accommodation Malaysia has a wide range of accommodation with competitive rates. International star-rated hotels, beach resorts, chalets, youth hostels and timeshare apartments are just some of the types of accommodation available.

Do's And Don'ts When visiting Malaysia, the visitor is advised to observe local customs and practices. Some common courtesies and customs are as follows:

- It is polite to call before visiting a home.
- Shoes must always be removed when entering a Malaysian home.
- Drinks and light refreshments are generally offered to guests. It would be polite to accept.
- The right hand is always used when eating with one's hand or when giving and receiving objects.
- The right forefinger is not used to point at places, objects or persons. Instead, the thumb of the right hand, with the four fingers folded, is the preferred way.
- When entering places of worship such as mosques and temples, shoes should be removed. Most mosques provide robes and scarves for female visitors. Taking photographs at places of worship is usually permitted but always ask for permission first.
- The country's large Muslim population does not drink liquor or alcoholic beverages.



SAYING IT IN MALAY

Bahasa Malaysia or Malay is the official language and many words are phonetically similar to English. The letter 'c' is pronounced 'ch'.

Good Morning	<i>Selamat Pagi</i>
Good Afternoon	<i>Selamat Tengahari</i>
Good Evening	<i>Selamat Petang</i>
Good Night	<i>Selamat Malam</i>
Thank You	<i>Terima Kasih</i>
Welcome	<i>Selamat Datang</i>
Goodbye	<i>Selamat Jalan / Selamat Tinggal</i>
See You Again	<i>Jumpa Lagi</i>
How Are You	<i>Apa Khabar</i>
I'm Fine	<i>Khabar Baik</i>
Excuse Me	<i>Maafkan Saya</i>
I'm Sorry	<i>Minta Maaf</i>
What Is The Price?	<i>Berapa Harga?</i>
Where?	<i>Di mana?</i>
How?	<i>Bagaimana?</i>
Here	<i>Di sini</i>
There	<i>Di sana</i>
Eat	<i>Makan</i>
Drink	<i>Minum</i>
Hungry	<i>Lapar</i>
Entrance	<i>Masuk</i>
Exit	<i>Keluar</i>
Caution	<i>Awas</i>
Help	<i>Tolong</i>
Telephone	<i>Telefon</i>
Restroom	<i>Bilik Air / Tandas</i>
Bus	<i>Bas</i>
Taxi	<i>Teksi</i>
Train	<i>Keretapi / Tren</i>
Flight	<i>Kapal terbang</i>



LEGEND

Places of Interest

- 2C **P1** Anniversary Theatre
- 3B **P2** ASEAN Sculpture Garden
- 4C **P3** Bintang Walk
- 2C **P4** Bird Park, Butterfly Park, Orchid Garden, Hibiscus Garden and Deer Park
- 3C **P5** Bukit Nanas
- 3C **P6** Central Market
- 3C **P7** Dataran Merdeka
- 3C **P8** Dayabumi Complex
- 2B **P9** Federal Territory Mosque
- 2C **P10** Galeria Sri Perdana
- 3C **P11** Istana Negara
- 2C **P12** KL Lake Gardens
- 4C **P13** Kompleks Budaya Kraf
- 4B **P14** Kuala Lumpur City Centre
- 3C **P15** Sultan Abdul Samad Building
- 3C **P16** Kuala Lumpur Tower
- 3C **P17** Masjid Jamek
- 3C **P18** Merdeka Stadium
- 3B **P19** National Art Gallery
- 4C **P20** Heritage of Malaysia Trust
- 4B **P21** National Library
- 3C **P22** National Monument
- 3C **P23** National Mosque
- 3C **P24** National Museum
- 1C **P25** National Science Centre
- 3C **P26** National Stadium
- 3B **P27** National Theatre
- 2C **P28** Parliament House
- 3B **P29** Putra World Trade Centre
- 4A **P30** Royal Selangor Visitor Centre
- 3D **P31** Thean Hou Temple
- 3B **P32** Titiwangsa Lake
- 4C **P33** Jade Museum

Museums

- 3C **M1** Bank Negara Money Museum
- 3C **M2** Islamic Arts Museum Malaysia
- 4B **M3** Malaysian Armed Forces Museum
- 4B **M4** Royal Malaysian Air Force Museum

Entertainment/Shopping

- 5B **S1** Ampang Point
- 4B **S2** Ampang Park Complex
- 4B **S3** Avenue K
- 4C **S4** Berjaya Times Square
- 3C **S5** Campbell Shopping Complex
- 4B **S6** City Square
- 3C **S7** Duty Free Emporium
- 4C **S8** Fahrenheit88
- 4C **S9** Lot 10
- 4C **S10** Pavilion Kuala Lumpur
- 4C **S11** Pudu Plaza
- 3C **S12** Sogo
- 4B **S13** Suria KLCC
- 3B **S14** Sunway Putra Mall
- 3C **S15** The Weld

Bus, Taxi, Railway Stations & Post Office

- 3C **T1** General Post Office
- 3C **T2** KL Sentral (Main Terminal)
- 3C **T3** Kuala Lumpur Railway Station
- 3C **T4** Malaysia Airlines
- 3B **T5** Pekeliling Bus Station
- 3C **T6** Pudu Sentral
- 3B **T7** Putra Bus Station

Tourist Information Centres

- 3B **I2** Malaysia Tourism Centre (MATIC)
- 3C **T2** KL Sentral Station, Lot 21, Level 2

Hotels

- 1E **H1** Armada
- 4C **H2** Berjaya Times Square
- 3B **H3** Seri Pacific
- 2C **H4** Carcosa Seri Negara
- 3B **H5** Cititel Express
- 2D **H6** Cititel Mid Valley
- 3B **H7** Citrus
- 3B **H8** City Villa
- 3C **H9** Concorde
- 4B **H10** DoubleTree by Hilton
- 4C **H11** Crowne Plaza Mutiara
- 4C **H12** Dorsett Regency
- 3B **H14** Dynasty
- 1D **H15** Eastin
- 3C **H16** Equatorial
- 3C **H17** Federal
- 3B **H18** First Business Inn
- 3C **H19** Fortuna
- 3B **H20** Grand Central
- 3B **H21** Grand Centrepont
- 3B **H22** Grand Continental
- 4C **H23** Grand Millennium
- 3B **H24** Grand Pacific
- 3B **H25** Olympic Sports Hotel
- 4B **H26** InterContinental
- 3C **H27** Istana
- 4C **H28** JW Marriott
- 3C **H29** Kuala Lumpur Hilton
- 3B **H30** InterContinental Kuala Lumpur
- 3C **H31** Le Meridien
- 3C **H32** Malaya
- 3C **H33** Malaysia
- 4D **H34** Maluri
- 4C **H35** Mandarin Oriental
- 3B **H36** Maya
- 3C **H37** Melia
- 3C **H38** Midah
- 3C **H39** Mirama
- 4C **H41** Parkroyal
- 1E **H42** Petaling Jaya Hilton
- 3B **H43** Putra
- 3C **H44** Quality Hotel City Centre
- 3B **H45** Renaissance
- 3C **H46** Shangri-La
- 3B **H47** Sheraton Imperial
- 3C **H48** Swiss-Garden
- 4C **H49** Seri Pacific Hotel
- 3B **H50** Sunway Putra
- 3B **H51** The Plaza
- 4C **H52** The Ritz-Carlton
- 3C **H53** The Royale Bintang
- 4C **H54** The Royale Chulan
- 4C **H55** The Westin
- 3B **H56** Vistana
- 4C **H57** Wenworth
- 3B **H58** Wira

Hospital

- 5B **H1** Ampang Puteri Specialist Hospital
- 5B **H2** Gleneagles Intan Medical Centre
- 3B **H3** Kuala Lumpur Hospital
- 3B **H4** National Heart Institute
- 3C **H5** Prince Court Medical Centre
- 1D **H6** University Hospital
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- 3B **H8** Tawakal Hospital

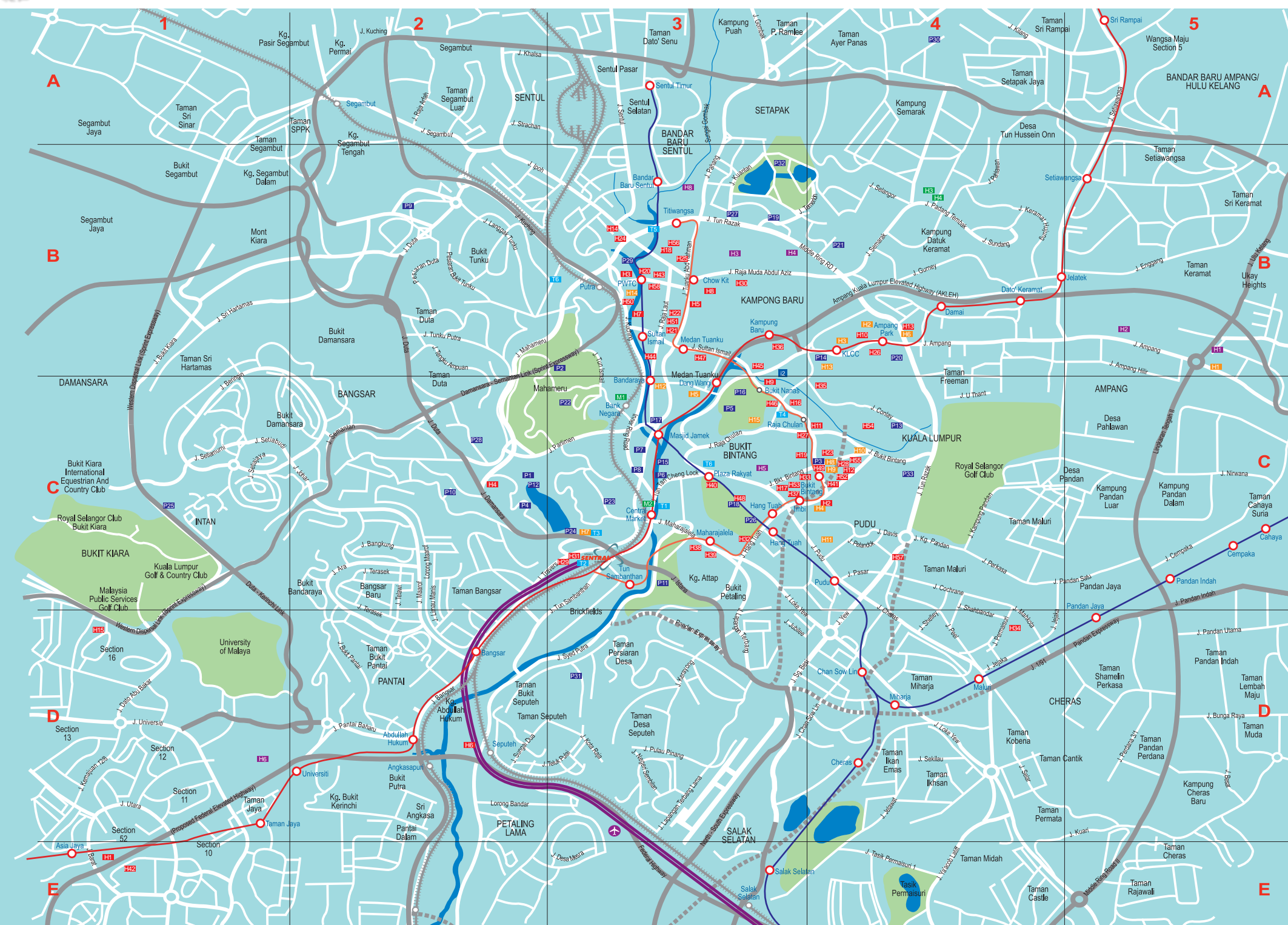
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